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Michigan Works to hold series of online job fairs

Process likened to 'Shark Tank' method to share information

By HP STAFF

BENTON HARBOR — There are roughly 290 available jobs in Southwest Michigan each week, which is why Michigan Works is holding a series of virtual job fairs.

Those looking for a job and employers looking for individuals who fit their open positions may be experiencing a similar challenge during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Because of these ongoing difficulties, Michigan Works Berrien, Cass, Van Buren is holding two virtual hiring events with a unique format.

"We know that the current environment is challenging for both those applying for jobs and those hiring individuals to join their team and we believe this will be a solution for both parties," Lily Brewer, executive director of Michigan Works! Berrien, Cass, Van Buren, said in a news release.

The two scheduled virtual hiring events will take place from 10 a.m. to noon on Aug. 11 and Aug. 25.

Employers will have a few minutes at the beginning of every virtual hiring event to explain why a jobseeker should join their team and explain what makes their company stand out.

Afterward, Michigan Works will break out rooms for more robust conversations between employers and job seekers.

Brewer said this "Shark Tank" method of information sharing eliminates the uncomfortable feelings that attending job seekers have

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Shoppers walk past signs requiring face masks at the Jimmy John's in downtown St. Joseph on Thursday morning. Businesses, backed up by the law, require that patrons wear masks when entering stores due to the COVID-19 pandemic, yet some patrons refuse to comply.

Mask enforcement: 'It's tough,' says undersheriff

Sheriff's office, health department focus efforts on education

By JULIE SWIDWA
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — Despite Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer's executive order mandating that, as of July 13, face coverings be worn at all indoor venues, some Southwest Michigan residents continue to enter stores and restaurants without a face mask.

"It's very tough to enforce, and we're not going to solve it through enforcement," said Berrien County Undersheriff Chuck Heit.

He said that since an Information Hotline and an online tip form were put on the Berrien County Health Department's and sheriff's department's websites, dozens of tips and complaints have come in about customers and, in some cases, store employees, not wearing face masks.

"It's a challenge across the country," said Gillian Conrad, communications manager for the health department. "This is tricky, and I agree with Chuck. We know our law enforcement resources are not unlimited."

Heit said the health department and sheriff's office set up the tip form to alleviate a barrage of calls to the Berrien County Dispatch Center regarding non-compliance with the mask order. Tips and complaints are then turned over to the police agency in the jurisdiction in which the complaint originated.

Conrad said if the complaint is about a restaurant or other facility that the health department regulates, someone from the health department will respond. Grocery stores are regulated by the Michigan

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Masked shoppers are reflected in the windows of Fuzzybutz Pet Bakery, in downtown St. Joseph. Many stores are vigilant about making sure their employees wear masks, yet there are stores that take a more lax view of the mask mandate, prompting many calls to authorities.

Whitmer joins Trump criticism over suggestion to delay election

By DAVE BOUCHER and TODD SPANGLER
Detroit Free Press

President Donald Trump escalated his ongoing attacks on the mail-in voting process Thursday morning, suggesting in a tweet that the November election should be delayed.

The statement – coming five days before a primary election in Michigan, which will be marked by a huge number of absentee ballots due to fears of spreading coronavirus at polling places – garnered a massive and immediate backlash from Republicans and Democrats, including Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer.

"It's clear that the president is more focused on his chances in the 2020 election than on protecting families from a virus that has killed more than 150,000 Americans," Whitmer said in an emailed statement.

"The truth is that mail-in absentee voting is safe, simple, and patriotic – so much so that the president and more than a dozen of his closest advisors have done it."

Trump's tweet came moments after the Commerce Department announced historically abysmal financial numbers for the second quarter of the year and amid continued evidence that he is well behind the presumptive Democratic nominee, former Vice President Joe Biden, in national polls and in battleground states like

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Second U.S. virus surge hits plateau, but few experts celebrate

Robert F. Bukaty / AP

Passengers boards a Casco Bay Lines ferry bound for Peaks Island on Thursday in Portland, Maine. State officials reported more cases of COVID-19.

By MIKE STOBBE and NICKY FORSTER
Associated Press

NEW YORK — While deaths from the coronavirus in the U.S. are mounting rapidly, public health experts are seeing a flicker of good news: The second surge of confirmed cases appears to be leveling off.

Scientists aren't celebrating by any means, warning that the trend is driven by four big, hard-hit places – Arizona, California, Florida and Texas – and that cases are rising in close to 30 states in all, with the outbreak's center of gravity seemingly shifting from the Sun Belt toward the Midwest.

Some experts wonder whether the apparent caseload improvements will endure. It's also not clear when deaths will start coming down. COVID-19 deaths do not move in perfect lockstep with the infection curve, for the simple reason that it can take weeks to get sick and die from the virus.

The future? "I think it's very difficult to predict," said Dr. Anthony Fauci, the government's foremost infectious-disease expert.

The virus has claimed over 150,000 lives in the U.S., by far the highest death toll in the world, plus more than a half-million others around the globe.

Over the past week, the average number of deaths per day in the U.S. has climbed more than 25 percent, from 843 to 1,057. Florida on Thursday reported 253 more deaths, setting its third straight single-day record. The number of confirmed infections nationwide has topped 4.4 million.

In other developments:

■ The collateral damage from the virus mounted, with the U.S. economy shrinking at a dizzying 32.9 percent annual rate in the April-June quarter – by far the worst quarterly plunge on records dating to 1947. And more than 1.4 million laid-off Americans applied for unemployment benefits last week, further evidence that employers are still shedding jobs five months into the crisis.

■ Amid the outbreak and the bad economic news, President Donald Trump for the first time publicly floated the idea of delaying the Nov. 3 presidential election, warning without evidence

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Detroit plans safety measures for poll workers, voters

By COREY WILLIAMS
Associated Press

DETROIT — Elections officials in Detroit are preparing for the challenges that come with voting during a national health crisis that has killed more than 150,000 Americans.

All of Detroit's 503 voting precincts will be open and equipped with sanitizing stations and face masks to reduce the risk of spreading the coronavirus, City Clerk Janice Winfrey told reporters Thursday.

"We know there are some people who don't want to wear a mask," she said. "If you don't want to wear a mask, you don't have to, and you can still vote a regular ballot."

Electing leaders only is part of the task. Keeping voters and poll workers safe is the other.

"How safe our workers and voters feel will determine if they return in the fall for the November general election," said Winfrey, who wore a face mask and was flanked by staff who also wore them.

The city will also test two drive-thru voting sites. If the pilot program goes well, it could be expanded in November.

"An individual who wants to vote can drive their car up," Winfrey said.

An election worker would need to verify the driver's license and collect a filled-out application, she said. The driver would then be able to vote inside their car, only leaving the vehicle to feed the ballot into a tabulator.

A 20 percent voter turnout is expected Tuesday in Detroit. About 40,000 people are expected to vote in person. About 50,000 absentee ballots have been returned, while another 5,000 to 10,000 mail-in are expected to be returned by Tuesday.

Winfrey said anyone who has not yet mailed in their absentee ballot should drop it off at a voting center or drop box because the U.S. Postal Service notified her office that it can't guarantee that all will be delivered by Tuesday's Election Day deadline.

President Donald Trump continues to push unsubstantiated allegations that increased mail-in voting due to the pandemic will result in fraud. On Thursday, he floated the idea of delaying the Nov. 3 presidential election – an idea criticized by Democrats and Republicans alike.

"In my opinion, whenever you put out information that is not proven, it's a form of voter suppression," Winfrey said. "When you put fear into people they have a tendency to not move. So, those are fear tactics. It's to be ignored because there has been no evidence in the city of Detroit that voter fraud has ever taken place with absentee voting or any other kind of vote."

LOTTERIES

Thursday drawings

Michigan
Poker Lotto
JS-8C-6H-7S-8S
Midday Daily 3
7-9-1
Midday Daily 4
4-5-4-5
Daily 3
9-7-5
Daily 4
1-7-3-6
Fantasy 5
08-23-27-29-37
Keno
01-04-06-11-16-20-23-27-28-29-30-33-41-44-47-53-55-59-72-73-77-78
Mega Millions jackpot
$22 million
Powerball jackpot
$137 million

Wednesday drawings

Michigan
Powerball
07-29-35-40-45, Powerball: 26, Power Play: 2
Indiana
Cash 5
04-13-17-26-35
Estimated jackpot
$105,000
Cash4Life
08-11-21-36-39, Cash Ball: 2
Lotto Plus
01-09-26-33-35-38
Quick Draw Midday
02-11-13-17-18-22-23-24-29-32-37-45-47-49-50-57-59-60-63-69, BE: 17
Daily Three-Midday
2-0-6, SB: 5
Daily Three-Evening
3-8-1, SB: 0
Daily Four-Midday
7-4-8-1, SB: 5
Daily Four-Evening
1-5-4-3, SB: 0
Quick Draw Evening
02-03-08-11-12-21-25-43-46-49-50-51-52-56-64-67-69-75-79-80, BE: 3
Hoosier Lotto
07-24-36-40-44-46
Illinois
LuckyDay Lotto Midday
15-18-31-34-35
Pick Three-Midday
3-1-1, Fireball: 4
Pick Three-Evening
6-7-4, Fireball: 0
Pick Four-Midday
0-3-7-1, Fireball: 8
Pick Four-Evening
3-9-9-7, Fireball: 4
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Former President Barack Obama, addresses the service during the funeral for the late Rep. John Lewis, D-Ga., at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta on Thursday.

Rep. John Lewis mourned as 'founding father' of better U.S.

By JEFF MARTIN
Associated Press

ATLANTA — Hailed as a "founding father" of a fairer, better United States, John Lewis was eulogized Thursday by three former presidents and others who urged Americans to continue the work of the civil rights icon in fighting injustice during a moment of racial reckoning.

The longtime member of Congress even issued his own call to action – in an essay written in his final days that he asked be published in The New York Times on the day of his funeral. In it, he challenged the next generation to lay "down the heavy burdens of hate at last."

After nearly a week of observances that took Lewis' body from his birthplace in Alabama to the nation's capital to his final resting place in Atlanta, mourners in face masks to guard against the coronavirus spread out across pews Thursday at the city's landmark Ebenezer Baptist Church, once pastored by the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.

Former President Barack Obama called Lewis "a man of pure joy and unbreakable perseverance" during a fiery eulogy that was both deeply personal and political. The nation's first Black president connected Lewis' legacy to the ongoing fight against those who are "doing their darnedest to discourage people from voting." His words came as the country has been roiled by weeks of protests demanding a reckoning with institutionalized racism – and hours after President Donald Trump suggested delaying the November election, something he doesn't have the authority to do.

"He as much as anyone in our history brought this country a little bit closer to our highest ideals," Obama said. "And some day when we do finish that long journey towards freedom, when we do form a more perfect union, whether it's years from now or decades or even if it takes another two centuries, John Lewis will be a founding father of that fuller, fairer, better America."

Former President George W. Bush said Lewis, who died July 17 at the age of 80, preached the Gospel and lived its ideals, "insisting that hate and fear had to be answered with love and hope."

Former President Jimmy Carter sent written condolences, and House Speaker Nancy Pelosi recalled how the sky was filled with ribbons of color in Washington earlier this week while Lewis' body was lying in state at the U.S. Capitol.

"There was this double rainbow over the casket," she said. "He was telling us, 'I'm home in heaven, I'm home in heaven.' We always knew he worked on the side of angels, and now he is with them."

Lewis was the youngest and last survivor of the Big Six civil rights activists, led by King. He was best known for leading protesters in the "Bloody Sunday" march across the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, where he was beaten by Alabama state troopers.

During the service, the arc of Lewis' activism was once again tied to King, whose sermons Lewis discovered while scanning the radio dial as a 15-year-old boy growing up in then-segregated Alabama.

King continued to inspire Lewis' civil rights work for the next 65 years as he fought segregation during marches, "Freedom Rides" across the South, and later during his long tenure in the U.S. Congress.

"Get in good trouble, necessary trouble, and help redeem the soul of America," Lewis said of his run-ins with the law. The phrase was repeated several times during the funeral.

"We will continue to get into good trouble as long as you grant us the breath to do so," one of King's daughters, the Rev. Bernice King, said as she led the congregation in prayer. She later paused and laid her hand atop Lewis' flag-draped casket at the front of the church.

Ebenezer's senior pastor, the Rev. Raphael Warnock, called Lewis "a true American patriot who risked his life for the hope and promise of democracy."

Outside the church, with temperatures in the upper 80s, hundreds gathered to watch the service on a large screen; some sang the civil rights anthem "We Shall Overcome." In addition to the U.S. Capitol, his body lay in the Georgia and Alabama Capitol buildings, and events also were held in the Alabama cities of Troy, Lewis' hometown, and Selma.

To the many tributes Thursday, Lewis managed to add his own words. His essay in The New York Times recalled the teachings of King:

"He said we are all complicit when we tolerate injustice," Lewis wrote. "He said it is not enough to say it will get better by and by. He said each of us has a moral obligation to stand up, speak up and speak out."

"In my life I have done all I can to demonstrate that the way of peace, the way of love and nonviolence is the more excellent way," he wrote. "Now it is your turn to let freedom ring."

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PRIMARY ELECTION

Benton Twp. clerk race features 2016 rematch

By TONY WITTKOWSKI
HP Staff Writer

BENTON TOWNSHIP — Benton Township's longtime clerk faces a familiar foe in the Aug. 4 primary.

Democratic candidate Barbara Meeks is running against Democrat incumbent Carolyn Phillips for township clerk, a seat that holds a four-year term.

The top vote-earner will run unopposed at the November general election.

MEEKS

PHILLIPS

Meeks, 63, said she is running for office in an effort to bring fresh ideas to the township.

As a census field supervisor, Meeks previously was on the Cornerstone Alliance Board of Directors, the Lakeland Foundation Board of Directors the Northside Business Association and the Board for Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc.

"I think that our community needs new ideas," Meeks said. "We need to work together as a community to where it was when I first moved to this area. There are a number of things that we can do as a community and I want to be a part of that."

Meeks said she wants to focus on the sidewalks, as a large portion of the township's population walks to work.

"I am running for the people," she said. "I have been a citizen (in the township) for over 43 years. It's time for the people's voices to be heard."

Phillips, 66, is seeking her seventh term as clerk.

The lifelong resident has been employed at the township since 1976, and was first elected as clerk in 1996.

"My commitment to the community where I was born and raised speaks for itself," Phillips said.

She is a member of the Berrien County Clerks Association, the Benton Township Police and Fire Pension Board and the Benton Township Planning Commission.

"My integrity, commitment and dedication, record of continued financial stability and security for the future, maintaining police, fire, sewer, water services for our residents, infrastructure improvements, support of single-family housing and commercial development are some of the important reasons I am asking to be re-elected as township clerk," Phillips said.

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NO ESCAPING THE WEEDS

Don Campbell / HP staff

The freighter Alpena stops at the LaFarge dock Thursday afternoon as duckweed swirls around the St. Joseph River near the Margaret B. Upton Arboretum in St. Joseph.

PRIMARY ELECTION

Covert Twp. primary features supervisor, clerk races

By BECKY KARK
For The Herald-Palladium

COVERT TOWNSHIP — Change may be in the air in Covert Township, where several positions are being contested in the Aug. 4 primary.

Incumbent Supervisor Dennis Palgen is being challenged by incumbent Clerk Daywi Cook on the Democratic ticket, with the winner facing Republican Tom DeRosa in the November general election.

In another contested race, incumbent treasurer Wednesday Pritchard will be challenged by Barbara Rose on the Democratic ticket.

The only position that remains uncontested in the Aug. 4 primary election is the clerk's position. Current deputy clerk Naomi Barnes, a Republican, is seeking that seat. All of the township board seats are for four-year terms.

This year's township board election could prove to be a pivotal one for Covert, which is inching closer to the closure of the Palisades Nuclear Plant – the municipality's largest taxpayer – in May 2022.

All of the candidates pointed out that the plant's closure is by far the biggest issue facing the township over the next several years.

Supervisor's race

Cook, 35, has served as clerk since 2016. Prior to that she was deputy treasurer of the township for three years.

"Although my current role as clerk has been rewarding, I believe my time and resources would better serve the community of Covert in the role of supervisor," she said. "We've accomplished so much since 2016, and yet there is so much more we can do. Our beautiful, vibrant community is being underserved and too many opportunities are being lost."

The next four years will be tough for Covert, according to Cook.

PALGEN

COOK

PRITCHARD

ROSE

"The closure of our biggest taxpayer in the spring of 2022 means we need to make some tough decisions now and still find a way to continue improving the services we provide to our residents. We can also take steps to qualify for state programs available to townships who are seeking funds for development, such as the Redevelopment Ready Communities Program offered by the MEDC, to help grow our tax base at a pace that makes sense for Covert. Seeking alternative funding for programs will need to be common practice to keep economic stability in our township."

Outside of her job, Cook is a member of Market Van Buren economic development group, Safe Kids Coalition of Greater South Haven and Diversity Coalition 2.0.

Palgen, 78, has served as township supervisor since 2016. Prior to that he was clerk for 16 years.

"I am running for re-election to continue my 20 years of experience serving the residents of Covert Township with experience, individualized attention and resources in hopes of meeting the needs, concerns and expectations for our community," Palgen said.

He echoed Cook's concerns about the township's economic future.

"The biggest challenge facing Covert Township is the up-and-coming closure of Entergy/Palisades in the spring 2022 and the continued tax revenue losses from the township's largest taxpayer over the past two years and the upcoming years," Palgen said. "However, the current township board proudly met that challenge head on and has approved a balanced budget for fiscal year 2020-2021. I plan to continue working with the township board to prepare for the future of Covert Township, the same way … head on."

In addition to serving as supervisor, Palgen is a member of the We Care In the Name of Christ's Covert Advisory Board, Covert Veterans Memorial Committee, Covert Senior Advisory Committee, Covert Township Lions Club and he is chairperson of the South Haven-Bronson Advisory Committee.

Treasurer's race

Pritchard, 48, has been serving as treasurer for the past year after the township board appointed her to the position when longtime Treasurer Marilyn Rendell retired. Before that, she served as deputy treasurer for 2-1/2 years.

"Since taking office, I have gained a wealth of knowledge, and learn more with each passing week," Pritchard said. "I truly enjoy the position and duties of being treasurer, and have many ideas for growth and financial planning I hope to present to the board in the near future. ... I enjoy the challenge of spearheading the creation of the annual budget, considering the large cuts to our future tax revenues."

Although Palisades isn't closing until 2022 the township, Pritchard, said the township board is already taking steps to deal with the economic impact.

"By working with the department heads and township board, monitoring our budget, and encouraging responsible and thoughtful spending of taxpayer dollars, we as a township can and will adjust to the reduced tax revenue in the future," Pritchard said. "We have been exploring other, more lucrative options for the township investments as well."

Rose, 72, who previously served as township supervisor from 2008-2016, is running for treasurer "to serve and utilize the experiences that I have acquired."

As supervisor she oversaw the township's dispute with the Michigan Tax Tribunal over the reduction in property taxes sought by Covert Generating power plant.

"Covert has two power plants, with one closing in a year," she said. "Our community will be facing critical issues that must be identified and planned for our survival. ... The biggest challenge will be to critically identify the needs of our community while developing an accurate budget and capital outlay plan that addresses the township's future.

"The community will be facing cuts from Entergy's closure, and potential reductions in property taxes from Covert Generating that must be addressed effectively for our community's growth."

Rose, who is retired, is a member of the Van Buren County Planning Commission, We Care human service ministry's outreach program for Covert residents, Senior Services of Van Buren County, Michigan State University Rural/Research Board of Directors, the Governor's Sustainable Development Commission and MSU Extension and AgBioResearch State Advisory Council.

Candidates seeking trustee positions will be covered in Saturday's HP.

South Haven library renovation project finally set to get going

Mix-up with adjacent post office finally resolved

By BECKY KARK
For The Herald-Palladium

SOUTH HAVEN — After nearly two years of negotiations to secure a piece of property to make way for $2.3 million worth of improvements to South Haven Memorial Library, officials are ready to proceed.

"A call for bids is out right now for interested contractors, and those will be due in August, with the winning bid to be awarded Sept. 15," Library Director Jim France said this week, estimating construction will begin in October and be completed in June 2021. depending on and construction to begin at the beginning of October.

"Final completion is set for June 1, but like so many things, that could change," France said in regard to the impact of the coronavirus pandemic.

The renovations include making the entrance to the library handicap accessible, upgrading the heating and cooling system, updating the electrical system, insulating exterior walls, installing energy efficient lighting, updating public restrooms, installing new carpeting and furniture, expanding the space for community events and library programs, expanding the space for book collections and computer usage, expanding storage space and making better use of office space for library staff.

Once the renovations get underway, the library will move to temporary quarters in the lower level of South Haven City Hall, and its staff could be there for up to a year until all of the upgrades are complete.

Library officials had hoped to begin the expansion project in the spring 2019, however, they were told the U.S. Postal Service, which operates a post office next to the library, owned a small portion of the property that the library had utilized for years. The property sits to the rear of the library at 314 Broadway Ave., and is home to the library's outdoor reading garden and approximately 4-5 feet of the library's interior space.

When told of this nearly two years ago, library officials began negotiations to purchase the space – something that took a long time due to the fact that the library was dealing with two federal agencies – the U.S. Postal Service and the United States Department of Agriculture, the agency that planned to loan the library the funds needed for renovations.

The problem and delay left the library board exasperated.

"One chunk of the library sits on post office property and has since the library was built in 1958," France said in November 2018. "Nobody knows how it ended up that way. Our entire project hinges on that piece of property."

But as it turns out, the library has owned the parcel all along.

"Two days before closing, the title insurance company found an unregistered deed from 1957 that showed that the library already owned the property, plus some," France said Monday. "Nobody else had a record of it. It is now registered and we are ready to go."

The USDA loan will be paid back from a 40-year, quarter-mill tax levy that South Haven city and township voters approved in May 2017. Because the library does not have borrowing power, city and township officials set up a joint building authority to oversee the collection of the millage and administration of the loan.

IN BRIEF

BLM street mural unveiling set for Aug. 9

BENTON HARBOR — Eric Garner's mother, Gwen Carr, is slated to speak Aug. 9 during the unveiling ceremony of the #BlackLivesMatter Mural on Colfax Avenue in front of Benton Harbor High School.

The ceremony will start at 3 p.m. Other speakers will include the Rev. Carlton Lynch of Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church and Benton Harbor Mayor Marcus Muhammad, said Trenton Bowens of Benton Harbor, the event's organizer.

The mural will be painted on the street from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Aug. 8. In case of rain, the mural will be painted the morning of Aug. 9.

For more information, call Bowens at 861-2861 or go to the event's Facebook page, Benton Harbor Black Lives Matter Mural.

Participants are asked to wear face masks and to maintain social distancing from other people due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Garner died in 2014 in New York City while being arrested on suspicion of selling single cigarettes from packs. A video of Garner saying "I can't breathe" several times was widely circulated by news sources and on social media.

Thursday COVID-19 count update

Berrien County recorded 12 new COVID-19 cases and 11 new recoveries Thursday. No new deaths were reported.

This keeps the county at around 95 active cases. Last Thursday, the county had about 155.

Spectrum Health Lakeland was treating 13 COVID-19 patients as of Thursday, up from 10 on Wednesday.

Van Buren County gained 11 new COVID-19 cases Thursday, while Cass gained four new cases. Neither county reported any new deaths.

The Van Buren Cass District Health Department will release its updated total of recovered individuals today.

For more local COVID-19 data and information, visit www.bchdmi.org/COVID19, or www.vbcassdhd.org/covid-19/.

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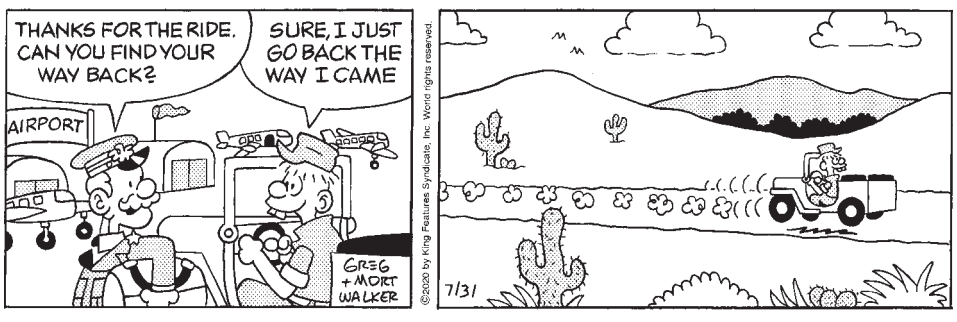

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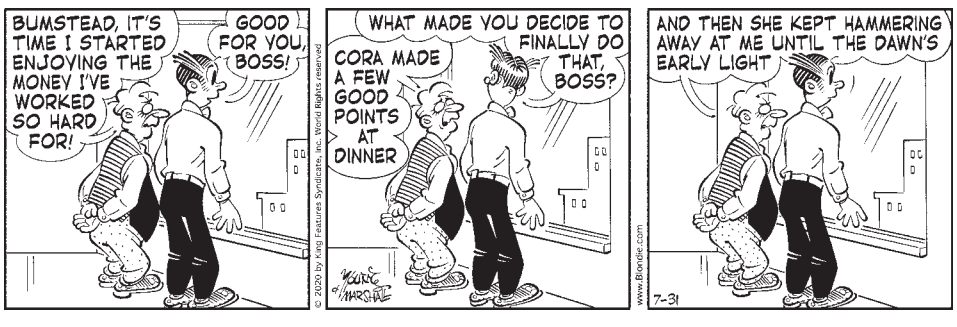
BUMSTEAD, IT'S TIME I STARTED ENJOYING THE MONEY I'VE WORKED SO HARD FOR!
GOOD FOR YOU, BOSS!
WHAT MADE YOU DECIDE TO FINALLY DO THAT, BOSS?
CORA MADE A FEW GOOD POINTS AT DINNER
AND THEN SHE KEPT HAMMERING AWAY AT ME UNTIL THE DAWN'S EARLY LIGHT
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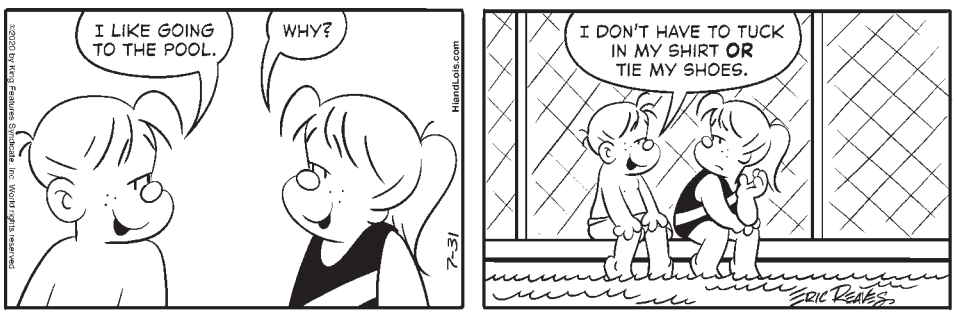
HI & LOIS



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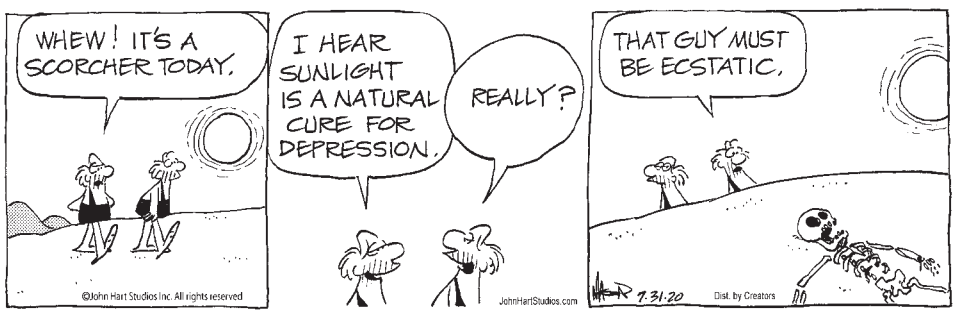

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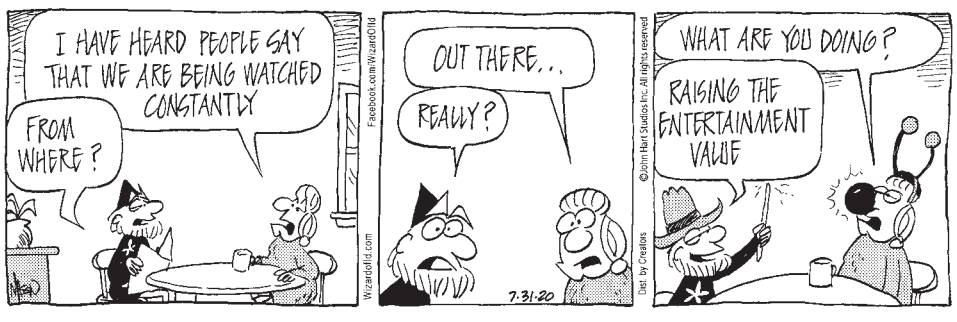
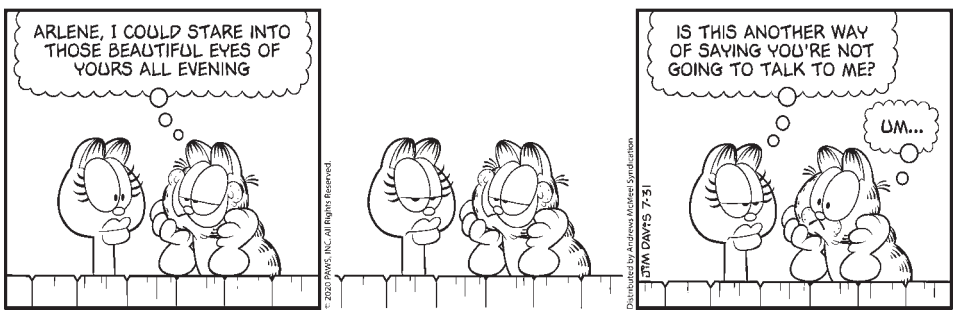


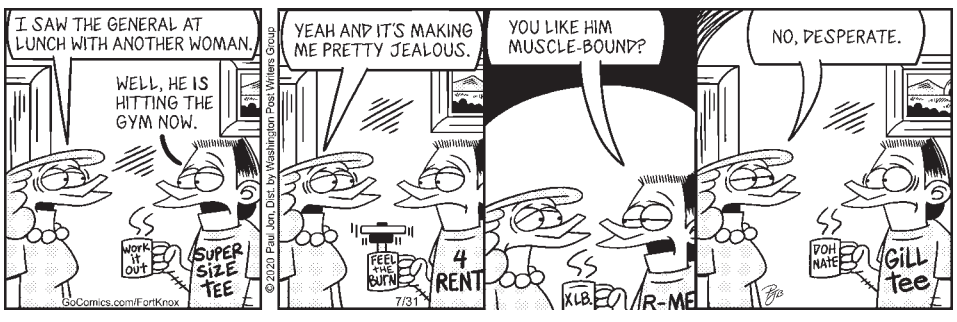
DILBERT

I STOPPED USING GOOD ARGUMENTS BECAUSE SARCASM WORKS BETTER.
THAT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE A PRODUCTIVE THING TO DO.
OOOH, LOOK WHO'S AN EXPERT ON PRODUCTIVITY NOW.

GARFIELD


ARLENE, I COULD STARE INTO THOSE BEAUTIFUL EYES OF YOURS ALL EVENING
IS THIS ANOTHER WAY OF SAYING YOU'RE NOT GOING TO TALK TO ME?
UM...

FORT KNOX



PICKLES

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT. YOU'RE ACTUALLY WEARING THE POLO SHIRT I GAVE YOU FOR FATHER'S DAY!
YOU NEVER WEAR THE NICE POLO SHIRTS I BUY FOR YOU.
I'LL TAKE IT OFF IF YOU WANT.
NO. I JUST WANT TO KNOW WHY YOU'LL WEAR THIS ONE BUT NOT THE OTHERS.
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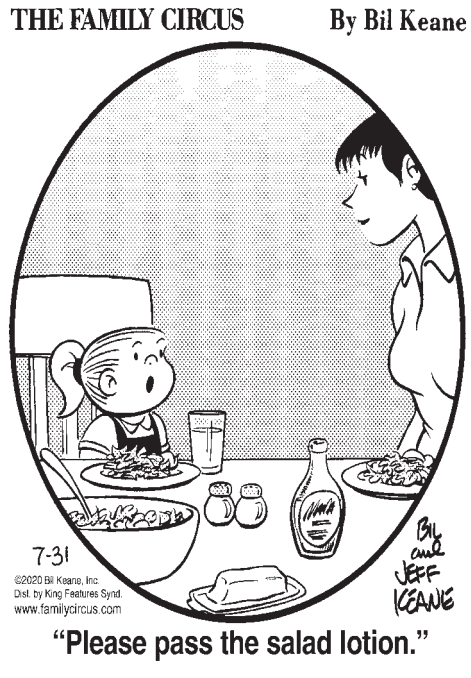
THIS IS THE FIRST ONE YOU BOUGHT ME THAT HAS A POCKET.

FAMILY CIRCUS



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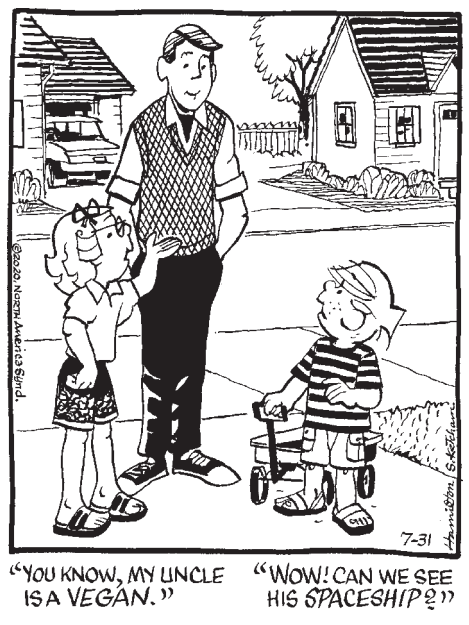

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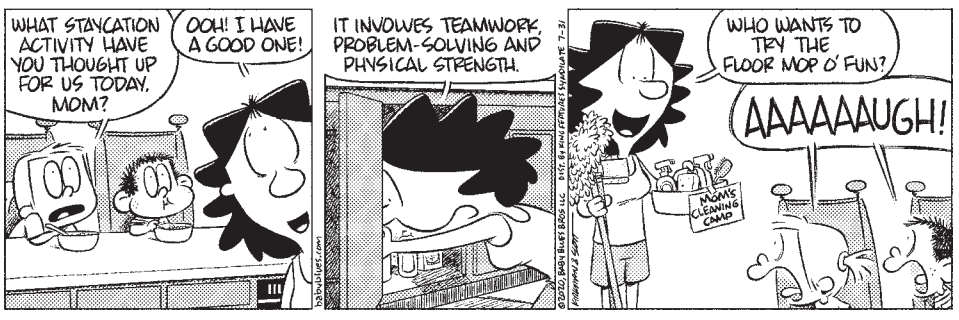
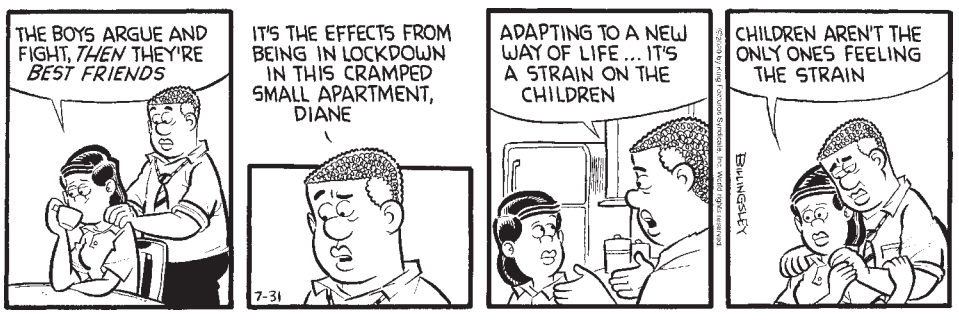

WHAT STAYCATION ACTIVITY HAVE YOU THOUGHT UP FOR US TODAY, MOM?
OOH! I HAVE A GOOD ONE!
IT INVOLVES TEAMWORK, PROBLEM-SOLVING AND PHYSICAL STRENGTH.
WHO WANTS TO TRY THE FLOOR MOP O' FUN?
AAAAAAUGH!
MOM'S CLEANING CAMP

CURTIS


THE BOYS ARGUE AND FIGHT, THEN THEY'RE BEST FRIENDS
IT'S THE EFFECTS FROM BEING IN LOCKDOWN IN THIS CRAMPED SMALL APARTMENT, DIANE
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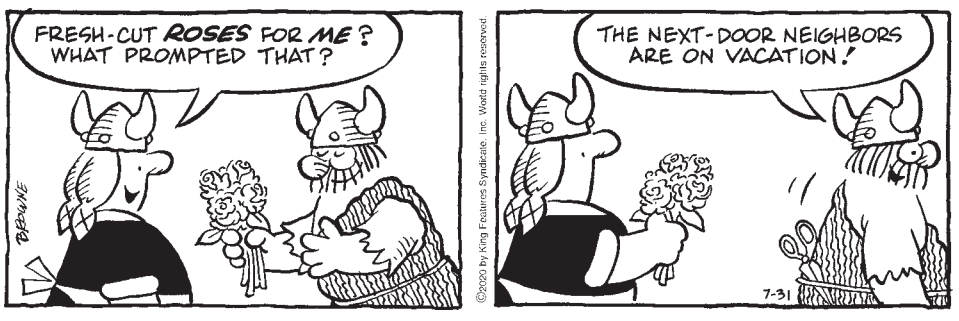
ADAPTING TO A NEW WAY OF LIFE... IT'S A STRAIN ON THE CHILDREN
CHILDREN AREN'T THE ONLY ONES FEELING THE STRAIN

ZITS

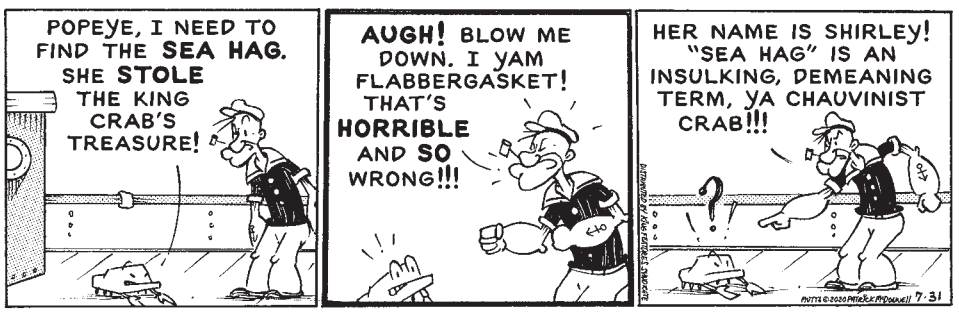
JEREMY, CAN YOU--
SHH! I'M WRITING MY WILL.
NOW THAT I HAVE A GRAY HAIR, I SHOULD GET MY AFFAIRS IN ORDER.
WHICH ONE OF YOU WANTS MY SKATEBOARD?
YOU TAKE IT. I HAVE MY EYE ON HIS COLLECTION OF DIRTY DISHES.

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM

MUTTS


POPEYE, I NEED TO FIND THE SEA HAG. SHE STOLE THE KING CRAB'S TREASURE!
AUGH! BLOW ME DOWN. I YAM FLABBERGASKET! THAT'S HORRIBLE AND SO WRONG!!!
HER NAME IS SHIRLEY! "SEA HAG" IS AN INSULKING, DEMEANING TERM, YA CHAUVINIST CRAB!!!
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SALLY FORTH

NO ONE'S SAYING THE FORTHS CAN'T BE DIFFICULT TO LIVE NEXT TO. BUT THEY'RE NOT BAD PEOPLE. THEY'RE JUST... DIFFERENT.
KEEFE
SO PLEASE, RELAX. BREATHE. AND...AND YOU'RE NOT LISTENING TO A WORD I'M SAYING, ARE YOU? YOU'RE JUST IMAGINING HOW YOU'RE GOING TO TELL OFF TED.
I HEAR IT IN MY HEAD, AND IT'S A THING OF BEAUTY.
WELL, HERE'S YOUR CHANCE, BECAUSE TED'S WAVING AT YOU RIGHT NOW.
WHAT?
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PRIME TIME TV

FRIDAY EVENING JULY 31

	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30
ABC 7 13 41 57	Wheel of Fortune	Shark Tank Knife sharpening by mail.		:01 20/20 (N) CC			
CBS 2 3 22	Ent. Tonight	The Greatest AtHome Videos (N)		Magnum P.I. CC		Blue Bloods Jamie is under investigation.	
NBC 5 8 16	Ac. Hollywood	The Wall "Michael and Jahmar" CC		Dateline NBC CC			
FOX 17 22 28 32	Modern Family	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (N)				Fox 17 News at 10:00PM (N) CC	
PBS 34	Overheard	Washington Week	Firing-Hoover	Great Performances A revival of Present Laughter. CC			
CW 25	Big Bang Theory	Masters of Illusion	Masters of Illusion	Whose Line Is It?	Whose Line Is It?	News	Seinfeld CC
MNT 50	Family Feud	Chicago P.D. CC		CSI: Miami "Last Stand" CC		CSI: Miami "Stoned Cold" CC	
WCIU 26	Mike & Molly	Masters of Illusion	Masters of Illusion	Whose Line Is It?	Whose Line Is It?	2 Broke Girls	2 Broke Girls
WHME 46	:00 Heartland	Heartland Amy steps in to help Georgie.		Highway to Heaven CC		Nightly News	
WGN 9	News	black-ish CC	black-ish	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	WGN News at Nine (N) (L) CC	
A&E	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars
AMC	White House	★★ Police Academy ('84, Comedy) Steve Guttenberg, Kim Cattrall. CC				:14 ★★ Road House ('89) CC	
Animal	Monsters	River Monsters: Deadliest Man-Eaters (N)				River Monsters	
BET	★★★ Men in Black		★★★ Barbershop 2: Back in Business ('04)				
Big Ten	Big Ten	Ohio State		Ohio State		B1G	Michigan
Bravo	:14 Below Deck Sailing Yacht "DOPE!"		:16 Below Deck Sailing Yacht CC		:18 ★★★ Hitch ('05) Will Smith, Eva Mendes. CC		
Cartoon	We Bare	Burgers	Burgers	American	American	Rick	Rick
Cinemax	5:55 Rounders	Human Capital ('19) Liev Schreiber. (P). CC			:40 ★ The Darkest Hour ('11) Emile Hirsch. CC		
CMT	Last Man	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom
CNBC	Greed	American Greed		American Greed		American Greed	
CNN	OutFront	Anderson Cooper		Cuomo Prime Time		CNN Tonight	
Comedy	:45 South Park		South Pk	South Pk	South Pk	Chappelle	Chappelle
Discovery	Bering Sea Gold	Bering Sea Gold (N) CC		:03 Gold Rush CC		:03 Bering Sea Gold (N) CC	
Disney	Moana	Upside-Down Magic ('20) CC				Upside-Down Magic	
DIY	Beach	Lakefront		Lakefront		Beachfrnt Reno	
E!	:00 House	House CC		House "Family"		House "Resignation"	
ESPN	NBA Basketball			NBA Basketball: Rockets vs Mavericks			
ESPN2	NFL Live	UFC Live	UFC Top	The Basketball Tournament			
ESPNC	Baseball	MLB Baseball From Oct. 6, 2002.				MLB Baseball	
Food	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners
Fox News	The Story	Tucker Carlson		Hannity (N) CC		The Ingraham Angle	
Fox Sports	:00 MLB Baseball Cincinnati Reds at Detroit Tigers. (N)					Tigers Lv.	Tigers Lv.
Freefrm	Family Guy	★★★ The Blind Side ('09) Sandra Bullock, Tim McGraw. A well-to-do white couple adopts a homeless black teen. CC					
FX	Life of Pets	★★ Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation ('18) Voices of Adam Sandler. CC				Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation	
Golf	PGA Golf				Central	PGA Golf	
Hallmark	Double Holiday	Check Inn to Christmas ('19, Romance) Richard Karn, Rachel Boston. CC				Christmas at the Plaza ('19) CC	
HBO	Stockton-Mind	★★ X-Men: Dark Phoenix ('19) James McAvoy, Michael Fassbender. CC				Real Time With Bill Maher (N) CC	
History	Aliens	Ancient Aliens CC		:02 Ancient Aliens		:05 Ancient Aliens	
HGTV	Love-List	Dream	Dream	Dream	Dream	Martha	Martha
Learning	90 Day	90 Day Fiancé: Happily Ever After? (N)				90 Day	90 Day
Lifetime	Nanny Killer ('18)	The Nanny Is Watching ('18, Suspense) Talya Carroll, Adam Huber. CC				:03 The Twisted Nanny ('19)	
MSNBC	ReidOut	All In With		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word	
MTV	:00 ★ Grown Ups 2 ('13) CC				Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.
NBCSCH	Pregame	MLB Baseball Chicago White Sox at Kansas City Royals. (N) (L)					
NFL	NFL Total	NFL Total Access		A Football Life		A Football Life	
Nick	Danger	Danger	Danger	Danger	Unfiltered	Friends	Friends
NGEO	Sharks	When Sharks Attack		When Sharks Attack		Shark Bite Capitals	
Oxygen	Dateline: Secrets	Dateline: Secrets Uncovered (N) CC		Killer Siblings "Gustafsons" CC		Killer Siblings "Stovalls" CC	
Parmt	Two Men	★★★ Ghostbusters ('84) Bill Murray. CC					Ghost II
Showtime	Minority Report	★★★ Ex Machina ('15, Science Fiction) Domhnall Gleeson, Oscar Isaac. CC				★★★ Under the Skin ('13) CC	
Starz	Jumanji: Next	★★★ Little Women ('19) Saoirse Ronan. Three sisters return home when a fourth becomes sick. CC					:18 Elizabeth
STZENC	:14 Slaughterhouse Rulez ('18, Comedy) Simon Pegg. CC			★★ X-Men Origins: Wolverine ('09, Action) Hugh Jackman, Liev Schreiber. CC			
SyFy	★★★ Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire ('05) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint. Voldemort lays a trap for Harry at the Triwizard Tournament. CC (DVS)						
TBS	6:00 ★★★ Ant-Man ('15, Action)		★★★ Ant-Man and The Wasp ('18) Paul Rudd. Ant-Man and the Wasp battle a powerful new enemy.				
TCM	Cheyenne Autumn	★★★ The Horse Soldiers ('59, Action) John Wayne, William Holden. CC				:15 ★★★ Sergeant Rutledge ('60)	
TMC	House-Clock	★★★ Back to the Future ('85, Comedy) Michael J. Fox, Christopher Lloyd. CC				★★★ Back to the Future Part II	
TNT	:00 Bones	Movie CC					
Travel	Dead	The Dead Files		The Dead Files "Spiteful Spirits Descend"			
TV Land	Andy G.	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond
USA	:00 Las Vegas	Las Vegas "Fake the Money and Run"		Las Vegas "Double Down, Triple Threat"		Las Vegas Ed walks the dog in a show.	
VH1	:00 ★★ Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married?					Prince	Prince
WGN-A	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing

Theory suggests thymus plays role in severity of covid

DEAR DOCTOR: What's the connection between the novel coronavirus and the thymus gland? A friend of ours who is a doctor says it's probably what keeps young kids from getting so sick. I've never even heard of the thymus. What does it have to do with coronavirus?

Elizabeth Ko & Eve Glazier
Ask the Doctors

DEAR READER: From the earliest days of the novel coronavirus pandemic, the data revealed a puzzling disparity. Older adults were at increased risk of grave illness when infected with the virus, but children seemed to have a certain level of protection. And while it has since become clear that children can indeed become seriously ill if they become infected, they do so at far lower rates than adults. The reasons for this are still being investigated, but some researchers have recently suggested the role of the thymus gland as a possible factor.

If you place your finger at the notch at the top of your breast bone and draw a vertical line downward a few inches, you've traced the location of your thymus. It's made up of two roughly triangular lobes, which sit behind the breastbone and between the lungs. The thymus has several functions, but perhaps its most important role is to help produce the cells that will become T-lymphocytes, or T-cells. (The "T" stands for thymus-derived.) These are white blood cells that protect the body from bacteria, fungi, viruses and other pathogens.

T-cells, which are the ninjas of the immune system, start out in the bone marrow as stem cells. The immature stem cells exit the marrow, move through the blood and enter a specific region of the thymus. There, they undergo a complex process that teaches them how to recognize a wide range of potentially dangerous and deadly invaders. As T-cells, their job is to circulate throughout the body and, when they encounter the molecular signature of the pathogen they've been trained to recognize, to attack. T-cells also activate other immune cells, produce proteins known as cytokines and have a role in regulating immune response.

The thymus is unique in that it reaches maturity in utero and is at its largest and most active in children. Starting at puberty, it gradually becomes less active, and the glandular tissue begins to shrink. This continues throughout a person's life. By the time someone has reached their mid-60s, the thymus is largely inactive. By their mid-70s, the gland has been mostly replaced with fat. This decrease in thymus function is believed to be one of the reasons that, in their later years, older adults become more susceptible to disease and infection.

Emerging research into COVID-19 has shown a marked decrease in the number of T-cells in some gravely ill patients. Scientists are now asking whether age-related thymus decline, which means T-cells aren't quickly replaced, may play a role in the severity of illness seen in older adults. The flip side of this is whether, due to their robust production of T-cells, children's immune systems are able to stay one step ahead of the novel coronavirus. It's only a working theory, but it shows promise, and research into how this may affect and inform treatment continues.

Eve Glazier, M.D., MBA, is an internist and associate professor of medicine at UCLA Health. Elizabeth Ko, M.D., is an internist and assistant professor of medicine at UCLA Health. Send your questions to askthedoctors @mednet.ucla.edu, or write: Ask the Doctors, c/o UCLA Health Sciences Media Relations, 10880 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1450, Los Angeles, CA, 90024. Owing to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

Estranged dad wants to meet new granddaughter

HI, CAROLYN: I have been estranged from my son for about 12 years; he refuses to have any contact with me. It was his decision soon after I divorced his mother.

Ironically, a few years after that, my son was divorced from his first wife. He is now remarried. I learned recently he and his second wife just had a baby, my granddaughter.

Carolyn Hax

I am thinking of corresponding with his wife in order to convince her I should be able to see my granddaughter. Such attempts could create friction in my son's marriage.

Should I try to convince my daughter-in-law that I should be able to see my granddaughter, or just wait for a time my son might seek reconciliation? – L.

L.: Oh my goodness no no no. It would be bad enough if you tried to get access to your son through this emotional backdoor – but trying it to gain access to your granddaughter? Because you think you "should" have access? That would be an inexcusable invasion of your son's household for your own emotional ends.

I take your pain seriously. If any of my kids cuts me off, a part of me will die.

But even pain that profound doesn't justify undermining your son's rightful authority to decide who has access to his family.

That you would consider doing so is the second thing in your letter to say, "Please get therapy," if at all possible.

The first is the estrangement itself. The endless variations on the countless possibilities for what can go haywire in a family actually fit pretty well into three boxes: 1. You did something to estrange your son and you know it but won't give him the satisfaction of owning it; 2. You did something to estrange your son and lack the self-awareness to see and understand it; 3. You did nothing to your son to justify estrangement, making your current torment the equivalent of prison for a crime you didn't commit. All of these are the kind of serious, complicated problems therapy exists to address.

And backdoor contact is the kind of boundary violation it exists to prevent.

You sound past due to run your estrangement problem, whichever one it happens to be, by a practitioner trained to help you figure it out.

So start looking for someone today, please, before you do something three generations regret.

DEAR CAROLYN: What to do about my girlfriend who doesn't want my kids around and who threatens to end our relationship if I let them come over? – Anonymous

ANONYMOUS: 1. Break up with her immediately;

2. Ask yourself why you had to ask, and didn't just break up with her immediately when you learned she was not only selfish, but also a bully. And: Therapy. If you can.

3. Apologize to your kids for not waking up to her poor character – and to your mistake in choosing her – immediately. Apologize for the amount of time you exposed them to her toxicity before you figured it all out. Even if they didn't spend time with her, you did, as she actively campaigned to make you less available to them.

4. Promise them you will choose more carefully next time, if there is a next time while they are still minors.

5. Keep your promise.

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1 Angelic instrument
5 Water barrier
8 Mattress extra
11 Commuter's home
13 Flamenco shout
14 Bartender's rocks
15 Kind of detector
16 Bowling piece
18 Band instrument
20 Like melons
21 Not our
23 Lowrider
24 Worthless coin
25 Roulette color
27 Yen
31 Coffee brewer
32 Peril at sea
33 Fictional governess
34 This, in Havana
36 Hold, as an opinion
38 Trusted friend
39 Nurse's portion
40 Catch a glimpse
41 Cease
42 Pentagon VIP
44 Use Artgum
46 Reliable
49 Needing rain
50 Gully maker
52 Turn aside
56 Jungfrau
57 Snipped
58 Place for lunch
59 Strong soap
60 Railroad track part
61 Jacob's son

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1 Dress bottom
2 Lumberjack tool (Var.)
3 Muddy track
4 Keep yakking
5 Lady of Spain
6 Ring champ
7 High-IQ group
8 Plumbing need
9 Lemony
10 Gainsay
12 Bleach
17 Frightening
19 Expand
21 Trunk
22 Goes after game
23 Plant with tendrils
24 Went to court
26 Dots in the Seine
28 Does steno work
29 Davit
30 Cuddled
35 Auspices
37 Innumerable
43 Monarch's decree
45 Tylenol rival
46 Animal that barks
47 Paris hub
48 Long, easy stride
49 Poker pot starter
51 Yes, in Cherbourg
53 Flight dir.
54 Race the engine
55 Prefix for dent

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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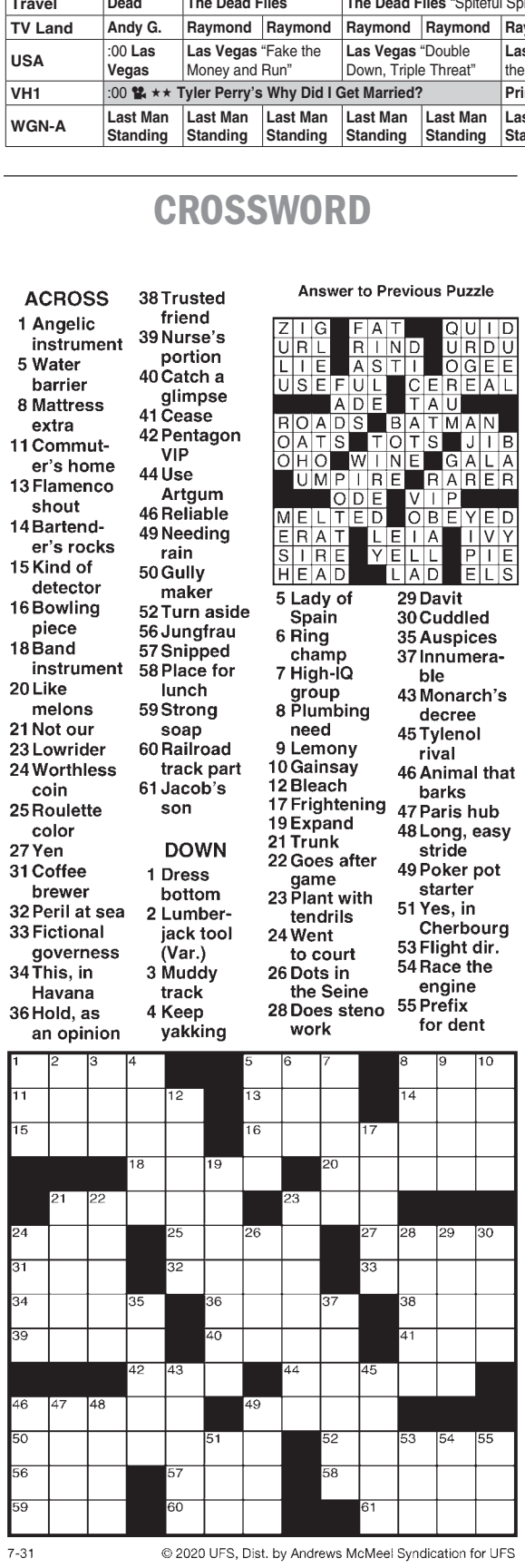

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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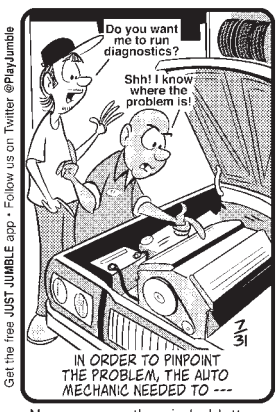
Do you want me to run diagnostics?
Shh! I know where the problem is!
IN ORDER TO PINPOINT THE PROBLEM, THE AUTO MECHANIC NEEDED TO ---
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: POISE BEVEL MELODY SPIRAL
Answer: The politician's words couldn't be trusted, and therein — LIES THE PROBLEM

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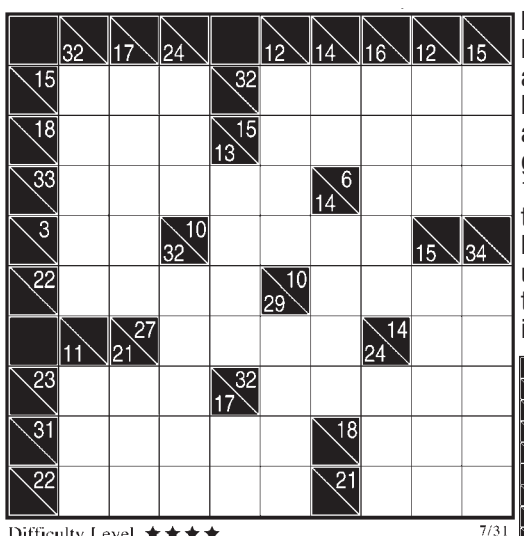
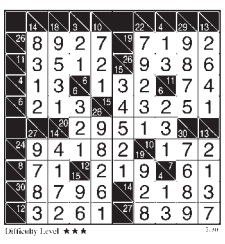


Difficulty Level ★★★★ 7/31

How to play: Numbers above the slash are across clues; numbers below the slash are down clues. The goal is to enter digits 1-9 in the white cells to add up to the number clues. You cannot use any digit more than once when adding up to a clue.



Difficulty Level ★★★ 7-30

BRIDGE

If you study action photos of top tennis players, you will see that their eyes are rarely looking directly at the ball. Is this because the rebound of the ball after being hit by the racket is too quick for the eye to follow?

Good bridge players occasionally take their eyes off the ball too. Let's end the week with a couple of examples. Against South's four-spade contract, West led the diamond ace and continued with a low diamond when his partner signaled enthusiastically with the jack. The expert South tried dummy's queen, but East covered with the king, and declarer ruffed. How should he have continued?

When a defender has four trumps, it is usually right to try to force declarer to ruff something, in the hope that he will lose trump control. But on this deal, at double-dummy (everyone could have seen all of the cards), West's only winning lead was his singleton heart.

South cashed the club ace, ruffed a club in the dummy and played a trump. True, if the spades had split 2-2 or 3-1, he would have been fine. Here, though, West won with his spade ace and returned the spade 10. Declarer took another round of trumps, then tried to cash some hearts. West ruffed the second round and led a club to his partner's king: down one.

After the club ruff, South should have crossed to hand with a heart and ruffed his last club before touching trumps. Even if a defender could have won with the spade ace and given his partner a heart ruff, the contract would have been safe.

Ruff those losers in the dummy.

North 07-31-20
♠ 6 4 2
♥ A 10 8 6 3
♦ Q 8 5 3
♣ Q

West
♠ A 10 9 3
♥ 4
♦ A 7 4 2
♣ J 9 6 2

East
♠ —
♥ J 9 7 2
♦ K J 10 9
♣ K 10 8 5 4

South
♠ K Q J 8 7 5
♥ K Q 5
♦ 6
♣ A 7 3

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: Both

South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	2♣	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♦ A

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★☆

			1					
	2			9	7	1		4
	1		8	4				
8	3						5	
		7	3		8	6		
	5						1	8
				8	5		4	
9		3	4	6			7	
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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

6	7	5	3	1	4	8	2	9
8	3	9	6	2	7	4	5	1
2	4	1	8	5	9	6	7	3
5	9	4	7	3	1	2	8	6
1	6	3	4	8	2	7	9	5
7	8	2	5	9	6	1	3	4
3	2	7	1	4	5	9	6	8
4	5	6	9	7	8	3	1	2
9	1	8	2	6	3	5	4	7

Heritage to give award for structure preservation

ST. JOSEPH — The Heritage Museum and Cultural Center, 601 Main St., plans to recognize the owner of a house or commercial building in Southwest Michigan that has been restored to honor its architectural significance.

Primary consideration will be given to exterior restoration in terms of materials, massing, fenestration and colors, according to a news release.

Entries should include a brief narrative of the history of the structure with the names of the original owners and architects, if available, as well as the steps the current owner has taken to restore the building.

Submission of pre-restoration and post-restoration photographs is required. Historic photographs showing the original design are recommended.

Entrants should include the current owner's name, address, phone number and email address.

Entries can be emailed to preservationaward@theheritagemcc.org. Print versions can be dropped off or mailed to The Heritage Museum.

Entries are due by Aug. 19. They will be judged by the museum's board.

All entries will be displayed, and the award will be presented at a reception at The Heritage Museum at 6 p.m. Sept. 3.

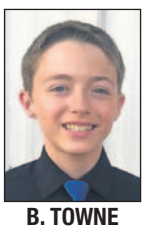
During the COVID-19 pandemic, The Heritage Museum is following all current guidelines and regulations for museums, including limiting the number of people in the building, maintaining social distance, and requiring that people wear face masks inside.

For more information, visit theheritagemcc.org.

Townes among 4-H State Award winners

Amanda and Blake Towne, 4-H'ers from the Van Buren Voyagers and Young Explorers 4-H clubs, recently were selected as winners in the 2020 Michigan 4-H State Award in the Junior division.

A. TOWNE



B. TOWNE

Amanda won in Shooting Sports, while Blake won the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).

While 4-H members were unable to gather at Michigan State University for the ceremony as in past years, the recognition celebration was held via Zoom.

A 4-H State Award is the highest honor bestowed on Michigan 4-H'ers. The State Awards program features a Junior and Senior division in 20 project areas as well as a group award category. It's open to all 4-H'ers 13-19 years old. This year, 64 youths from 25 counties applied for a 4-H State Award.

Amanda has been in 4-H for eight years, and is in the Young Explorers and Van Buren Voyagers clubs. She lives in Grand Junction and attends Paw Paw High School.

She is a teen leader, and is currently the secretary in the Van Buren Voyagers Club. She has shown dogs, cats, draft horses, chickens and goats. She is also active in shooting sports and environmental science.

After graduation, she plans to study biology and law to pursue a career with the Department of Natural Resources.

Blake also has been in 4-H for eight years. He is a member of the Young Explorers and Van Buren Voyagers clubs, where he has served as an officer. He lives in Grand Junction and attends Paw Paw High School.

In 4-H, Blake shows dairy goats and poultry, and is also a member of the Van Buren Voyagers Envirothon team.

When he graduates high school, he plans to pursue a degree in engineering.

Photo provided

United Federal Credit Union recently donated $5,000 to Big Brothers Big Sisters. Pictured are, from left, Kara Wood, chief development officer of Big Brothers Big Sisters; Bill Carnegie, regional CEO of Big Brothers Big Sisters; Carla Fazio-King, regional market development manager for United Federal Credit Union; Erica Young, director of mortgage sales for UFCU; and Pam Ender, mortgage adviser for UFCU.

United donates $5,000 to Big Brothers Big Sisters

MISHAWAKA, Ind. — United Federal Credit Union recently donated $5,000 to the Big Brothers Big Sisters – Southern Lake Michigan Region.

Big Brothers Big Sisters, a donor- and volunteer-supported mentoring network, matches adult volunteers ("Bigs") with children ("Littles"), ages 5 through young adulthood.

United's donation will help fund programs to support the Big Brothers Big Sisters – Southern Lake Michigan Region's mission of providing children facing adversity with strong, professionally supported one-to-one relationships.

It also will support Big Brothers Big Sisters' fundraising effort, The Big Event, which is scheduled for Oct. 15. Each year, the event helps raise a significant portion of the organization's annual budget through community sponsorships, ticket sales, auction items and more.

UFCU Mortgage Adviser Pam Ender has volunteered with Big Brothers Big Sisters for 20 years. She has helped with numerous fundraisers and has formed lasting relationships with many Littles and Bigs.

"I have been so proud to represent United Federal Credit Union since they have a desire to financially help out Big Brothers Big Sisters, as well as encourage employees to get involved," Ender said in a news release. "It shows that we are both sincere and serious about the Michiana community, and that we believe in this organization and what they stand for. Children are our future, and they could be future members or employees."

For Ender, the connection with Big Brothers and Big Sisters goes back to when her late nephew was a Little, and continues today with three of her grandchildren having served as mentors and volunteers with Big Brothers Big Sisters.

For more information about Big Brothers Big Sisters – Southern Lake Michigan Region, visit becomeabig.com.

"You will not regret getting involved," Ender said. "Why not consider being a Big? Right now, there are about 60 unmatched children in our area. There are a number of other volunteer opportunities open, too. So reach out to Big Brothers and Big Sisters to see what they're all about."

Bangor Branch Library has a new librarian

BANGOR — Van Buren District Library has announced Yvette Salomon-Hamilton will be the new librarian at Bangor Branch Library, 420 Division St.

Salomon-Hamilton succeeds Bobbi Martindale, who retired after 32 years as a VBDL staff member.

Assuming the leadership role in Bangor is a dream for Salomon-Hamilton, according to a news release.

"When I was 8 years old, I visited the old Bangor library," she said in the release. "They were playing 'The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe' on a TV. I checked out the book, read it and was hooked on libraries from then on."

SALOMON-HAMILTON

Salomon-Hamilton comes from a strong family of migrant workers, who settled in Bangor more than 40 years ago.

"When I went to Decatur to interview for this position, I drove past the migrant camp where I stayed as a little girl," she said. "And now, through hard work and patience, I reached my goal of being the Bangor Branch librarian."

Salomon-Hamilton, who brings a background in business management and retail, believes close collaboration with schools and local businesses will help build the library's role as the heart of the community.

"I know we're kind of on pause right now," Salomon-Hamilton said, "but great things are coming. We just know it."

Bangor Branch Library is open from 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Mondays through Wednesdays, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays, and 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturdays.

St. Joseph High School honors Class of 2020's top 10

ST. JOSEPH — St. Joseph High School has announced its Class of 2020 Academic Hall of Fame.

The students had the top 10 weighted cumulative GPAs in their class. They are:

■ Leah Terry, the daughter of Jennifer and Jeff Terry. Outside of her studies, Leah is a member of the Fusion Center for Dance's competitive dance team, captain of the girls golf team and co-president of Student Senate. She created the nonprofit Art for Africa, which has raised more than $11,000 to fund wells in Zambia. She plans to attend Clemson University to study political science, with hopes of one day working in foreign service.

■ Thomas Chen, the son of Grace Jiang and Kai Chen. Thomas was captain of the Science Olympiad team and the finalist of the National Chemistry Olympiad. He completed a research fellowship at Stanford University. He was Key Club treasurer, an Amateur Radio Direction Finding (ARDF) Team USA member, a varsity swimmer and a Spectrum Health Lakeland volunteer. He plans to attend the University of Michigan and double major in Earth and environmental science, and molecular, cellular and developmental biology.

■ Evelyn Faust, the daughter of Andy Faust and Anna Schelling. Evelyn served as co-captain of the Science Olympiad team, and president of the National Honor Society. She also tutored, worked an after-school job, and played tennis and soccer over the years. She will attend the University of Michigan to study biochemistry.

■ Brandon Burrow, the son of Phil and Sarah Burrow. Brandon was captain of the cross country and swim teams, and ran track. He also served in the Student Senate and National Honor Society, and was orchestra president. He plans to attend the Air Force Academy.

■ Jonathan Miesse, the son of Thomas and Forrest Miesse. In his spare time, he loves playing soccer on the weekends, and spending time with his youth group. He plans to study music education at Wheaton College, largely because of his great experience in chamber orchestra and his passion for piano.

■ Eileen Spiegel, the daughter of Mary and Jim Spiegel. Eileen has taken part in many clubs, such as sailing, volleyball and Interact. As a National Honor Society officer and academic mentor, she learned helping someone else succeed is far better than succeeding herself. She plans to attend the University of Michigan to study public policy and hopes to later attend law school.

■ Steven Markert, the son of Greg and Julie Markert. Throughout high school, he has been involved with the FIRST Robotics Build and Weld team and played tennis. He played the viola in the Chamber Orchestra and performed in the Lake Michigan Youth Orchestra and the "Wizard of Oz" pit orchestra. He plans to study chemical engineering at Michigan Technological University.

■ Amelia Paine, the daughter of Kristen Robinson and Chris Paine. Amelia was co-literary editor of The Wind-Up, a Mock Trial co-captain, and on the Science Olympiad team for seven years. She also participated in the orchestra and National Honor Society. After three years in Western Michigan University's Academically Talented Youth Program, she plans to continue her studies at Macalester College in Minnesota.

■ Zachary Conybeare, the son of Barry and Jody Conybeare. Elected build leader, Zach was integral in the development and fabrication of The Average Joe's robots. Outside of school, he grew his lawn care company from the age of 10, maintaining accounts throughout St. Joseph. He plans to sell his company and attend the University of Michigan for a degree in mechanical or electrical engineering.

■ Anna Vi, the daughter of Linh and Robin Vi. Anna was concertmaster of the orchestra, tutored her peers in summer school and was vice president of Key Club. She plans to study ecology, evolution and biodiversity at the University of Michigan in hopes of pursuing research.

IN BRIEF

SJ Municipal Band to feature vocalist

ST. JOSEPH — The St. Joseph Municipal Band will premiere its next virtual concert at noon Sunday on YouTube.

The concert will open with John Philip Sousa's "Liberty Bell March" followed by Leroy Anderson's "Belle of the Ball."

The band will feature Mishawaka, Ind., vocalist Marielle Utayde on Clara Edwards' "Into the Night," before concluding with "Festive Overture" by Dmitri Shostakovich.

The band's weekly videos replace its normal concert season, which was affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

For more information, or links to past virtual concerts, visit sjcity.com/band.

Acorn Theater moves finals outdoors

THREE OAKS — The finals for The Acorn Theater's annual Singer Songwriter Competition will move outdoors.

The competition, set for 7:30 p.m. Aug. 13, will be at a yet-undisclosed farm in Three Oaks.

Tickets for the show, which will be limited, go on sale at noon Saturday.

Face masks must be worn while attendees move around, and social distancing will be required. Attendees can bring their own snacks, beverages, chairs and blankets.

Six finalists were chosen from more than 100 submissions. They are Andy Baker, Gianna Stansell, Timothy Gray, Jamie Wagner, Dylan Reed Leavitt and Mami Matsuda.

The event also will be livestreamed on The Acorn's Facebook and YouTube pages. Web viewers will be able to vote for the winner, just like those in attendance.

For tickets, or more information about each finalist, visit www.acornlive.org.

Krasl to keep Art Markets going in Aug.

ST. JOSEPH — The Krasl Art Center, 707 Lake Blvd., will continue hosting its Summer Art Markets on the Green next month.

The outdoor markets will run from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays in August.

This weekend's artists include: Nicole Rimes (jewelry and fibers), Jeff and Theresa Heaton (fibers), Bill Boyce (sculpture) and Eliot Schlaack (drawing and printmaking).

For info about artists on future Saturdays, visit krasl.org.

The markets will adhere to the Krasl's COVID-19 safety policies. Hand sanitizer will be available throughout the grounds and masks are required.

Some artists accept credit cards, but all will accept cash.

Coloma library offers access to tutor.com

COLOMA — Coloma Public Library, 151 W. Center St., is now offering free access to Tutor.Com.

Tutor.com provides online academic tutoring, homework help and test preparation for kindergarten through 12th graders, as well as early college students and adult learners.

Any Coloma Public Library cardholder can connect with an expert tutor in a safe, secure online classroom.

Students can get help in algebra, calculus, geometry, science, writing, English, Spanish, social studies, ACT/SAT, GED practice tests, HiSET and ASVAB exams, as well as GRE, GMAT, LSAT and MCAT graduate school exams. Microsoft Office tutoring is also available. Assistance is available in English and Spanish.

Students can submit essays, reports, college applications and scholarship essays for live writing help, or for review through Tutor.com's Drop-Off Writing Review service. The latter allows tutors to provide thorough feedback within 12 hours.

Job seekers can work one-to-one with tutors, and get help with job searches, resume writing, interview preparation and more.

Live tutoring is available from 3-10 p.m. weekdays. Access to the SkillsCenter Resources is available 24/7.

For more info, visit www.colomapubliclibrary.net or call 468-3431.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR 2020-2024 ROUND LAKE AQUATIC WEED CONTROL SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF KEELER TOWNSHIP, VAN BUREN COUNTY, MICHIGAN, OWNERS OF LAND WITHIN THE 2020-2024 ROUND LAKE AQUATIC WEED CONTROL SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Township Supervisor and Assessor have prepared and filed in the office of the Township Clerk for public examination a special assessment roll covering all properties within Round Lake Weed Control Special Assessment District 2020 benefited by the proposed weed control project. The roll has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the costs of the project within the aforesaid district, as more particularly shown by the plans on file with the Township Clerk. The costs of the project are as shown on the estimate of costs on file with the Township Clerk.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the special assessment amounts are assessed on a per parcel basis. The Supervisor and Assessor have further reported to the Township Board that the assessment against each parcel of land within said district is such relative portion of the whole sum levied against all parcels of land in said district as the benefit to such parcels bears to the total benefit to all parcels of land in said district.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Township Board will meet at the Keeler Township Hall, 64121 Territorial Road W, Hartford, MI 49057 on Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing the special assessment roll and hearing any objections thereto. After the public hearing, the Township Board may confirm the roll as submitted or as revised or amended. The roll may be examined by contacting the Township Clerk at (269) 621-6481 or via email at keeler@cybersol.com during regular business hours of regular business days until the time of the hearing and may further be examined at the hearing. *Please take notice that the Keeler Township Office is open only limited hours during COVID-19 health crisis and under executive orders of the Michigan Governor. You may be asked to make an appointment to examine the roll or have it emailed to you for inspection. Additionally, the Township Board anticipates that the hearing will be held in-person at the township hall; however further orders from the Michigan Governor may require a video-conference or teleconference. Please check the township's website at www.keelertownship.org for information.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that appearance and protest at this hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the State Tax Tribunal. Please also note that an owner or party in interest, or his or her agent, may appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment in writing, or may file his or her appearance and protest by letter before the hearing, and in that event, personal appearance shall not be required. The owners or any person having in interest in the real property who protests in writing at or before the hearing may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the State Tax Tribunal within 30 days after confirmation of the special assessment roll.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if the special assessment roll is confirmed, the Township Board intends to hold a public hearing once each year in future years to reassess property in the special assessment district for the costs in the next year, and will provide notice of such hearing by publication in the newspaper only, unless the amount to be specially assessed increases by more than 10 percent in any one year. If the amount to be specially assessed increases by more than 10 percent in any one year, then mailed notice of the public hearing will be provided to owners of property to be specially assessed. The Township Board specifically reserves the right not to levy an assessment in any year or to levy a lesser assessment amount in any year that there are more funds in the special assessment fund than the amount needed for that year's weed control work and associated activities.

Keeler Township will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed material being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon four (4) days' notice to the Keeler Township Clerk. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Keeler Township Clerk at the address or telephone number listed below.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF BENTON HARBOR'S DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION REPORT (CAPER) FISCAL YEAR 2018
FY 2019 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN AMENDMENTS
AMENDED CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN
FY 2019 CDBG-CV CARES ACT FUNDING
FY 2020 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS, AND INDIVIDUALS:
The Benton Harbor City Commission hereby establishes Monday August 3, 2020 as a Virtual Public Hearing date at 5:30p.m. as the date, time, and place to hear citizens' comments on the utilization of CDBG funds as set forth in the FY 2018 CAPER.

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The City of Benton Harbor has made available for public examination and copying upon request, the FY 2018 CAPER. The FY 2018 CAPER will remain on file for five (5) days for your review at the following address: www.bhcity.us. Comments may be provided to the City during that time.
The Annual Action Plan is a requirement of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that specifies the fiscal year activities and funding levels to be undertaken to meet the housing and community development priorities established in the Consolidated Plan. February 18, 2020, HUD announced that the City of Benton Harbor will be receiving $426,496 dollars through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program during FY 2020. April 20, 2020, HUD announced that the City of Benton Harbor will be receiving $250,905 dollars through the Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV Cares Act) funding during FY 2019. The City of Benton Harbor has also chosen to reprogram $155,000 of funds from FY 2019.
Notice is hereby given that the City of Benton Harbor will hold a Virtual Public Hearing on August 3, 2020 at 5:30 pm. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to provide opportunity for public comment on the recommendations made to the City Commission for funding of the CDBG Program activities listed under the FY 2020 Annual Action Plan, as well as the substantial amendments to the FY 2019 Annual Action Plan and Citizen Participation Plan. The FY 2020 Annual Action Plan and Substantial Amendments to the FY2019 Annual Action Plan are available for review on the City of Benton Harbor website: www.bhcity.us After all public comments have been considered at the Public Hearing on August 3, 2020, the City Commission will consider adopting the FY 2019 Substantial Amendment, Amended Citizen Participation Plan, and FY 2020 Action Plan and proposed CDBG Program funding recommendations.
If you have questions or concerns regarding this notice, please contact Tracy-Ann Jennings, Director of Community & Economic Development at (269) 204-2776 or submit written comments to the Community & Economic Development Department at the above address.
Honorable Marcus Muhammad, Mayor
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FRIDAY, JULY 31

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Let your conscience be your guide. Do something that will have an impact. Making someone smile will be rewarding and will push you in a new direction. Romance is featured.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Make changes instead of letting situations fester. A great idea will lead to offers and suggestions that will help you move forward. Speak your mind and follow your heart.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Let experience be your teacher. Expand your interests instead of procrastinating. Deal with matters intelligently. Let go of the past and embrace the future. Romance is featured.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Prepare for the changes you want to make. Be innovative and incorporate new technology into your plans. Don't trust anyone else to be as thorough as you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Anger is a waste of time, and being evasive will cause problems. Honesty and integrity will bring what's troubling you to the surface and push you to improve your life.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Take control and bring about positive change. Address a problem and listen to what others have to contribute. If you work in unison with others, excellent opportunities will develop.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) A passionate approach will make a difference. Let experience guide you, and you will find new ways to excel. Celebrate your achievements with a loved one. Personal growth and enlightenment are featured.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Honesty matters. Don't avoid issues that need addressing. A professional change will turn out to be beneficial. Protect your home, family and health. Use intelligence to make the best choices.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Being consistent, delivering what you promised and doing more and talking less will help you gain momentum and deter unwanted interference. Take time to relax at the end of the day.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Getting along with the people you live or work with will win you the support you need to reach your goal. Don't waste time on conditional offers; focus on what's tangible.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Joint ventures will not be in your best interest. Verify any information that comes your way to avoid making a mistake. Curtail excessive behavior or overspending. Depend on trusted resources, not outsiders.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Offer answers, solutions and positive alternatives. Your approach will determine how much you get in return. Know your boundaries, and you'll reach your goal. Take care of unfinished business before starting something new.

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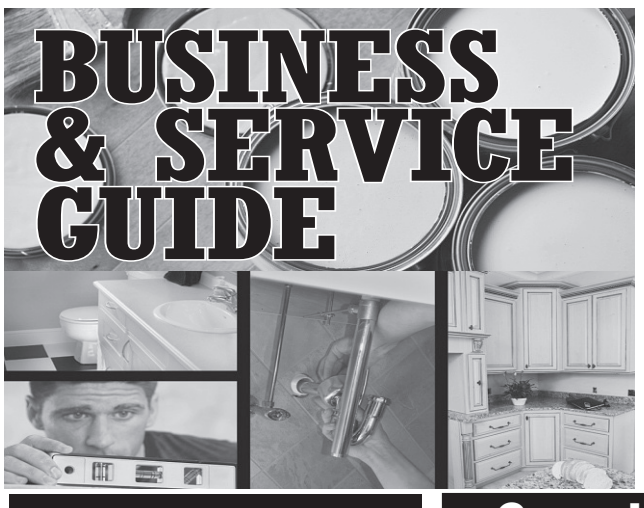

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SPORTS BRIEFS

Winners crowned in Lakeshore Jr. Golf Association

Several golfers competed for titles in the Lakeshore Junior Golf Association's tour championship Monday at HawksHead Links.

In the Junior Division, William Hundt of Lakeshore shot the day's lowest round of 73 to overtake last summer's divisional champion, Alan Wegner, by two strokes with an overall four-round score of 328.

The Collegiate Division was dominated by past 16-18 Division Champion Nick Brausch of Paw Paw, who shot 315.

The Boys 16-18 Division was equally dominated by St. Joseph senior Ryan Guzzo, with a four-round total of just 310.

Another Lakeshore player, Jacob Marohn, won the Boys 13-15 Division by 38 strokes with a 324.

Marley Walters of St. Joseph, age 11, moved up an age division to play with the 13-15 year olds and won it all with a four-round total of 399, good enough for a 28-stroke margin.

The most dramatic finish happened in the Girls 16-18 Division, where Allegan's Emma Franklin came back from 11 strokes behind to force a playoff with Dowagiac native and Bethel University athlete Greta Whitaker.

Whitaker did sink a lengthy putt on the second sudden death hole to win.

All in all 78 players competed this summer, up substantially from last summer.

Umpire Joe West misses 2 innings after getting hit

WASHINGTON (AP) — Home plate umpire Joe West left in the bottom of the first inning of Thursday's game between the Washington Nationals and the Toronto Blue Jays but eventually returned after getting bloodied when he was hit in the head by Bo Bichette's flying bat.

The 67-year-old West, who is the senior umpire in Major League Baseball, was struck near his left ear when Toronto leadoff hitter Bichette lost hold of his bat while swinging at — and missing — the first pitch thrown by Washington right-hander Erick Fedde.

Nationals trainer Paul Lessard came out to check on West and gave him a white towel to press against his head. The trainer then walked off the field with West, taking him to a ramp that leads to the clubhouses and umpires' room at Nationals Park.

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Tigers split series with Royals

DETROIT (AP) — Trevor Rosenthal pitched a scoreless ninth for his first save since 2017 and the Kansas City Royals beat the Detroit Tigers 5-3 on Thursday night, overcoming Miguel Cabrera's first multihomer game since 2016.

Kansas City 5 Detroit 3

Once a standout closer for St. Louis, Rosenthal has struggled with his health and his effectiveness in recent years, finishing 2019 with a 13.50 ERA in 22 appearances with the Nationals and Tigers. When he retired JaCoby Jones on a grounder to end the game, he gave his glove a little celebratory tap.

The Royals have scored 25 of their 31 runs this year in the first five innings, but this time their offense came through late. Whit Merrifield scored on Salvador Perez's grounder to break a 2-all tie in the seventh. Bubba Starling added a double the following inning that gave Kansas City two insurance runs it ended up needing.

Cabrera hit solo homers in the first and eighth, and Jonathan Schoop added one for Detroit in the fourth.

It was Cabrera's first multihomer game since Sept. 30, 2016 at Atlanta, and he's gone deep three times in the first seven games this year after hitting only 12 home runs in all of 2019.

He now has 480 for his career.

Greg Holland (1-0) won in relief for the Royals, and Jose Cisnero (1-1) took the loss.

Brady Singer allowed two runs and five hits in five innings for Kansas City in his second career start.

Detroit's Ivan Nova went 5 2/3 innings, allowing two runs and eight hits.

Carlos Osorio / AP

Detroit's Jonathan Schoop is greeted by teammate Miguel Cabrera after a solo home run to left field during the fourth inning of Thursday's game.

The Tigers went a third straight game without walking anybody – the first time they've done that since April 13-15, 2015.

Ryan O'Hearn opened the scoring in the top of the first with an RBI single, and Franchy Cordero hit a run-scoring single in the second to put the Royals up 2-1.

After six hits in the first three games of the series, Merrifield didn't have any Thursday, but he still made an impact.

He was hit by a pitch with one out in the seventh, then went to third on Jorge Soler's double.

Perez hit a bouncer up the middle that was fielded by Schoop, the second baseman. Merrifield scored, although Schoop threw to third to retire Soler.

Starling's double down the line in left field made it 5-2.

Trainer's room

Tigers: OF Cameron Maybin left with an apparent injury after beating out an infield hit in the ninth.

Up next

LHP Kris Bubic makes his big league debut for the Royals when he starts their home opener Friday night against Chicago. LHP Dallas Keuchel takes the ball for the White Sox.

Detroit starts a home series against Cincinnati, with RHP Spencer Turnbull (0-0) facing RHP Trevor Bauer (0-0) of the Reds.

Final game of Cubs series rained out

By JOE KAY
Associated Press

CINCINNATI — The finale of a four-game series between the Chicago Cubs and Cincinnati Reds was postponed Thursday because of rain.

No makeup date was set in this virus-shortened season. The Cubs are scheduled to return to Cincinnati for a three-game series Aug. 28-30.

Rain moved in several hours before the scheduled start and was expected to last well into the evening.

The rainout slowed Chicago's fast start to the season, with four wins in the first six games.

Chicago took two of three in Cincinnati, the first time it has opened with back-to-back series wins since 2017.

Chicago's offense is on a tear, scoring eight, eight and seven runs in the three games in Cincinnati. The Cubs have homered in each of their first six games – they hadn't done that since 2009.

And they've done it with a flair, loudly cheering every hit and celebrating every run in the dugout.

"I'm proud of the way we've been playing so far," Kris Bryant said. "The dugout's been crazy. Honestly is brings me back to college – not too many people in the stands and you're just going crazy in the dugout.

"We might be going overboard a little bit in terms of saying things to the other team, but I think we all kind of expected that this year because it is very strange – very strange baseball for everybody – so you've got to make the most of it."

The Reds dropped four of their first six games but were encouraged to get Mike Moustakas and Nick Senzel back after missing three games because of a COVID-19 scare.

They didn't feel well Sunday and were held out of three games while numerous tests cleared them.

Both returned and homered during a 12-7 win Wednesday night that snapped a four-game losing streak.

The Reds are hoping to make up some of that lost ground now that the lineup is intact.

Cubs move

Right-hander Colin Rea was recalled from Chicago's alternate training site and right-hander Dillon Maples was optioned.

Rea, 30, was last in the majors with the Marlins in 2016.

Maples struggled in two relief appearances.

Notre Dame to play 10 ACC games this season

By RALPH D. RUSSO
AP College Football Writer

The Atlantic Coast Conference reworked its football schedule Wednesday to allow each team to play 11 games and to incorporate Notre Dame, which is giving up its cherished independence in a year turned upside down by the coronavirus pandemic.

The ACC's university presidents approved plans for a schedule with 10 conference games and one nonconference, and for pushing back both the first week of the season (from Labor Day weekend to the weekend of Sept. 12) and the league championship game (from Dec. 5 to either Dec. 12 or 19).

The ACC will eliminate its traditional divisional format this season and the two teams with the best winning percentages in conference play will meet in Charlotte, North Carolina, for the league championship game.

The league will release specific dates and broadcast plans later.

Notre Dame, which competes in the ACC in all sports except football and hockey, will play in a football conference for the first time in the 133-year history of the proudly independent program – if the season is played. The biggest conferences are taking steps to try to mitigate potential disruptions and salvage a sport worth billions in broadcast rights deals.

Notre Dame already had a scheduling agreement with the ACC that puts five or six games with the league on the Fighting Irish schedule every year. They had six this season: Clemson, Duke, Wake Forest, Georgia Tech, Louisville and Pitt. Added to that will be home games against Florida State and Syracuse and road games against North Carolina and Boston College. There will be no renewal of the Notre Dame-Miami rivalry.

The ACC and Notre Dame also agreed to equally share TV revenue – including the Fighting Irish's deal with NBC – among the 15 schools.

It is a one-year deal for the Fighting Irish. Notre Dame had already lost three games against Big Ten and Pac-12 opponents when those conferences decided to play only league games.

The Southeastern Conference on Thursday announced it would be playing a straight conference schedule of 10 games.

SCOREBOARD

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	3	1	.750	—
Tampa Bay	4	3	.571	½
Baltimore	2	2	.500	1
Toronto	3	4	.429	1½
Boston	2	4	.333	2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	5	2	.714	—
Minnesota	4	2	.667	½
Detroit	4	3	.571	1
Kansas City	3	4	.429	2
Chicago	2	4	.333	2½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	3	3	.500	—
Oakland	3	3	.500	—
Texas	2	3	.400	½
Los Angeles	2	4	.333	1
Seattle	2	4	.333	1

Wednesday's Games

Colorado 5, Oakland 1
Texas 7, Arizona 4
Chicago White Sox 4, Cleveland 0
Washington 4, Toronto 0, 10 innings
Detroit 5, Kansas City 4
Atlanta 7, Tampa Bay 4
N.Y. Yankees 9, Baltimore 3
Boston 6, N.Y. Mets 5
Minnesota 3, St. Louis 0
L.A. Dodgers 4, Houston 2, 13 innings
Seattle 10, L.A. Angels 7
Philadelphia at N.Y. Yankees, ppd.
Miami at Baltimore, ppd.

Thursday's Games

Washington 6, Toronto 4
Atlanta 2, Tampa Bay 1
Cleveland 2, Minnesota 0
Kansas City 5, Detroit 3
N.Y. Yankees at Baltimore
Philadelphia at N.Y. Yankees, ppd.
Boston at N.Y. Mets
Miami at Baltimore, ppd.
Seattle at L.A. Angels

Friday's Games

Boston (Weber 0-1) at N.Y. Yankees (Montgomery 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Castillo 0-0) at Detroit (Turnbull 0-0), 7:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Snell 0-0) at Baltimore (Cobb 1-0), 7:35 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Keuchel 1-0) at Kansas City (Bubic 0-0), 8:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Clevinger 0-0) at Minnesota (Dobnak 0-1), 8:10 p.m.
Houston (McCullers Jr. 1-0) at L.A. Angels (Andriese 0-0), 9:10 p.m.
Texas (Minor 0-1) at San Francisco (TBD), 9:10 p.m.
Oakland (Manaea 0-1) at Seattle (Walker 0-1), 9:40 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Philadelphia at Toronto, ppd.
Cincinnati at Detroit, 6:10 p.m.
Chicago White Sox at Kansas City, 7:05 p.m.
Boston at N.Y. Yankees, 7:07 p.m.
Houston at L.A. Angels, 7:07 p.m.
Cleveland at Minnesota, 7:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Baltimore, 7:35 p.m.
Oakland at Seattle, 9:10 p.m.
Texas at San Francisco, 9:10 p.m.

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	2	1	.667	—
Atlanta	4	3	.571	—
New York	3	3	.500	½
Washington	3	4	.429	1
Philadelphia	1	2	.333	1

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	4	2	.667	—
Milwaukee	3	3	.500	1
St. Louis	2	3	.400	1½
Cincinnati	2	4	.333	2
Pittsburgh	2	4	.333	2

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Colorado	4	1	.800	—
Los Angeles	4	2	.667	½
San Diego	4	2	.667	½
San Francisco	3	3	.500	1½
Arizona	2	4	.333	2½

Wednesday's Games

Colorado 5, Oakland 1
Texas 7, Arizona 4
Washington 4, Toronto 0, 10 innings
Cincinnati 12, Chicago Cubs 7
Milwaukee 3, Pittsburgh 0
Atlanta 7, Tampa Bay 4
Boston 6, N.Y. Mets 5
Minnesota 3, St. Louis 0
L.A. Dodgers 4, Houston 2, 13 innings
San Francisco 7, San Diego 6
Philadelphia at N.Y. Yankees, ppd.
Miami at Baltimore, ppd.

Thursday's Games

Washington 6, Toronto 4
Atlanta 2, Tampa Bay 1
Chicago Cubs at Cincinnati, ppd.
Philadelphia at N.Y. Yankees, ppd.
Boston at N.Y. Mets
Miami at Baltimore, ppd.
L.A. Dodgers at Arizona
San Diego at San Francisco

Friday's Games

St. Louis (Flaherty 1-0) at Milwaukee (Anderson 0-0), 2:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Castillo 0-0) at Detroit (Turnbull 0-0), 7:10 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Porcello 0-1) at Atlanta (Newcomb 0-0), 7:10 p.m.
Washington (TBD) at Miami (TBD), ppd.
San Diego (Richards 0-0) at Colorado (Gray 0-0), 8:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Williams 0-1) at Chicago Cubs (Darvish 0-1), 8:15 p.m.
Texas (Minor 0-1) at San Francisco (TBD), 9:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Gonsolin 0-0) at Arizona (Gallen 0-0), 9:40 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Philadelphia at Toronto, ppd.
Cincinnati at Detroit, 6:10 p.m.
Washington at Miami, ppd.
N.Y. Mets at Atlanta, 7:10 p.m.
St. Louis at Milwaukee, 7:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers at Arizona, 8:10 p.m.
San Diego at Colorado, 8:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Chicago Cubs, 8:15 p.m.
Texas at San Francisco, 9:10 p.m.

OBITUARIES

Terry Lee Laurin

Sept. 19, 1946 – July 28, 2020

Terry Lee Laurin, 73, of Stevensville passed away on Tuesday, July 28, 2020, at his home.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 3, at the Boyd Chapel of Pike Funeral and Cremation Services, 9191 Red Arrow Hwy., Bridgman. Friends may meet with the family on Monday from 10 a.m. until the time of the service at the funeral home. Burial will be in Hickory Bluff Cemetery, Stevensville. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Berrien County Cancer Service, 3900 Hollywood Road, St. Joseph MI 49085 or the Special Olympics, Area 17, 29000 64th Ave., Lawton, MI 49065. Live stream of the service and online condolences accepted at www.PikeFH.com.

Terry was born Sept. 19, 1946, in Kalamazoo, the son of the late Herve' and Eleanor (Betz) Laurin. He graduated from Loy Norrix High School in 1964 and served in the U.S. Navy. On April 8, 1967, he married his high school sweetheart, the former Marilyn Miller. Following his service during Vietnam, he returned to Western Michigan University and received a bachelor's degree in accounting. In 1975 Terry and Marilyn moved to Stevensville. He retired from Brammall Industrial Supply, Benton Harbor, in 2015. Terry was a member of the Lakeshore Rotary and charter member of the Benton Harbor Sunrise Rotary Club. He enjoyed golf, bowling, reading and spending time with family and friends.

Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Marilyn; two children, Lisa (Dale) Woodin and Kevin (Cory) Laurin; four grandchildren, Emily and Sarah Woodin and Katelyn and Mason Laurin, along with their mother, Jenifer Dura Laurin; and a sister, Barbara (Gary) Hughes; and many nieces and nephews.

Terry was preceded in death by a brother, Larry Laurin.

Harold Gene Ferrell

Aug. 10, 1930 – July 28, 2020

Harold Gene Ferrell, 89, of Stevensville passed away peacefully on Tuesday, July 28, 2020, at Caretel Inns of Lakeland.

A private graveside celebration will be held in North Shore Memory Gardens, Coloma. Arrangements have been entrusted to Starks & Menchinger Chapel, St. Joseph. Those wishing to send a condolence online may do so at www.starks-menchinger.com.

Harold was born on Aug. 10, 1930, to Preston and Mae Ferrell in Swifton, Ark. On July 3, 1950, he married Ann Davison. He was a United States Veteran, serving in the Army. Harold was a member of the St. Joseph Township Fire Department for over 20 years. He worked for Clark Equipment Company and moved to Asheville, N.C., when they were purchased by Volvo. Harold retired in 1987 after 30 years of service. He was a very active member at Assembly of God in Asheville, where he served as an elder. He was an avid outdoorsman and liked to hunt and fish. In Harold's younger years he enjoyed hunting trips with his family to South Carolina and Beaver Island. He was a very kind, compassionate and selfless man with a gentle spirit. People were drawn to his personality; he was loved by all and will be dearly missed. Harold is now walking the streets of gold in God's glory.

Harold is survived by his wife of 70 years, Ann Ferrell; sons, Terry (Deborah) Ferrell, Steve (Joni) Ferrell and Gregory Ferrell; grandchildren, Kariann Ferrell, Justin Ferrell, Amanda Ferrell and Megan Ferrell; three great-grandchildren; brother, Robert (Carolyn) Ferrell; and sister-in-law, Gloria Loy.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Preston and Mae Ferrell; and his other siblings.

Darnell DeWayne 'Tray' Johnson II

May 28, 1992 – July 22, 2020

Darnell DeWayne "Tray" Johnson II, 28, of Benton Harbor passed away on July 22, 2020, from a fatal car accident.

A private service will be held. Those wishing to sign the guest book online may do so at www.robbinsbrothersfh.com.

Darnell attended Benton Harbor Area Schools and graduated from Benton Harbor High in 2010, where he was involved in multiple extra-curricular activities. After graduating he remained faithful to his alma mater by volunteering his time and talents in the athletic department, helping with football and posing as the Tiger mascot when needed.

Darnell gave his life to Christ at a young age. He became a member of New Bethel Baptist Church in October of 2019. He was active in his community helping youth of all ages and loved to help anyone that he could.

Darnell is survived by his parents, Darnell (Terri) Johnson Sr. and Stacey (Merle) Mitchell; siblings, Genesis, Isaac and Isaiah Johnson; maternal grandparents, Don C. and Jeri Mitchell; paternal grandparents, Spencer and Jean Nesbitt; as well as a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, family and friends.

Death notices

Harold G. Ferrell, 89, of Stevensville died July 28, 2020, at Caretel Inns of Lakeland, St. Joseph. Starks & Menchinger Chapel and Cremation Services, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Darnell D. "Tray" Johnson II, 28, of Benton Harbor died July 22, 2020. Robbins Brothers Funeral Home, Benton Harbor, 927-3181.

Ella Lidberg, 82, of Coloma died July 29, 2020. Hutchins Funeral Home, Watervliet, 463-3811.

John Polega, 14, died July 28, 2020. Halbritter-Wickens Funeral Home, Niles, 683-3000.

Bobby D. Robinson, 85, of Coloma died July 29, 2020, at Bronson Methodist Hospital, Kalamazoo. Duffield & Pastrick Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Coloma, 468-6000.

Thomas VanNiel, 79, of Watervliet died July 29, 2020. Hutchins Funeral Home, Watervliet, 463-3811.

Gayle Arlene (Cole) Norton

March 2, 1961 – July 21, 2020

Gayle Arlene Norton, 59, of Jackson, Mich., formerly of Watervliet passed away on July 21, 2020, at Henry Ford Allegiance Health, Jackson.

Surviving are her father, William (Jearldine) Cole; and sisters, Cheryl (Dale) Midkiff and Stephanie Cole (Scott) Conway.

She was preceded in death by mother, Hollis Cole; and her husband, Ed Norton.

Gayle grew up in Watervliet. It was here that she gained her passion for music. She played several instruments, including piano, oboe and clarinet, and was learning to play the saxophone and flute as well. She also enjoyed singing in her local church. Gayle was a regular attendee of the Maple Grove Baptist Church in Jackson, Mich. Gayle worked as a helper/caregiver to physically disabled people. She will be greatly missed by her friends for her loving kindness.

The family will be holding a memorial service at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug 1, at Midway Baptist Church, Watervliet.

Roosevelt Reed Jr.

July 29, 1953 – July 25, 2020

Roosevelt Reed Jr., 66, of Benton Harbor passed away Saturday, July 25, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center in Niles.

Roosevelt was born on July 29, 1953, in Arkansas.

Memories, condolences and photos may be left for the family at www.BrownFuneralHomeNiles.com.

Arrangements are entrusted to Brown Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Niles.

MARKETS

July 30, 2020
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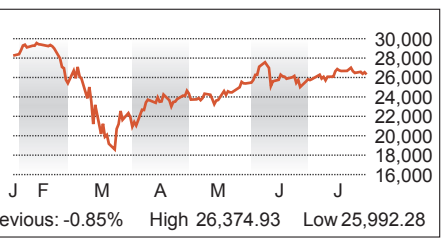

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July 30, 2020
Nasdaq composite
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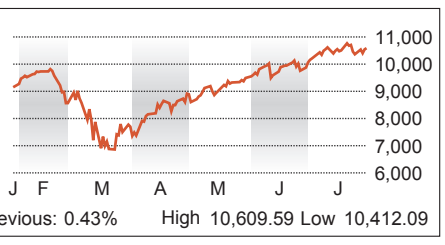

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▲ **4-wk.** +4.3% ▼ **YTD** -8.9%

Whirlpool WHR
$163.01 **+.44 +.3%**
▲ **4-wk.** +26.2% ▲ **YTD** +10.5%

LocalStocks

NAME	TICKER	52-WK RANGE LO	52-WK RANGE HI	◇CLOSE	CHG	%CHG	WK	MO	QTR
AT&T Inc	T	26.08	39.70	29.57	+.01	...	▬	▼	▼
AEP	AEP	65.14	104.97	86.07	+1.27	+1.5	▼	▲	▲
Apple Inc	AAPL	192.58	399.82	384.76	+4.60	+1.2	▲	▲	▲
AutoZone	AZO	684.91	1274.41	1209.75	+30.20	+2.6	▲	▲	▲
BP PLC	BP	15.51	40.23	22.44	-.78	-3.4	▼	▼	▼
CMS Eng	CMS	46.03	69.12	63.93	-.04	-0.1	▲	▲	▲
CocaCola	KO	36.27	60.07	47.69	-.33	-0.7	▼	▲	▲
Comcast	CMCSA	31.71	47.74	43.67	-.23	-0.5	▲	▲	▲
Deere	DE	106.14	180.76	178.04	-2.21	-1.2	▲	▲	▲
Disney	DIS	79.07	153.41	115.66	+.05	...	▼	▲	▲
DollarTree	DLTR	60.20	119.71	93.95	-1.07	-1.1	▼	▲	▲
ExxonMbl	XOM	30.11	75.66	41.87	-2.16	-4.9	▼	▼	▼
FifthThird	FITB	11.10	31.64	19.69	-.31	-1.5	▲	▲	▲
1stSource	SRCE	26.07	53.42	34.02	-.80	-2.3	▼	▼	▼
FordM	F	3.96	9.68	6.74	-.18	-2.6	▼	▲	▲
GenElec	GE	5.48	13.26	6.26	-.33	-5.0	▼	▼	▼
HomeDp	HD	140.63	269.07	266.31	+1.65	+0.6	▲	▲	▲
HorizBcp	HBNC	7.42	19.48	10.54	+.49	+4.9	▲	▲	▼
HuntBncsh	HBAN	6.82	15.63	9.31	-.14	-1.5	▼	▲	▲
IDEX	IEX	104.56	178.14	164.60	-2.00	-1.2	▼	▲	▲
IBM	IBM	90.56	158.75	122.90	-2.42	-1.9	▼	▲	▲
JPMorgCh	JPM	76.91	141.10	97.02	-2.66	-2.7	▼	▲	▲
JohnJn	JNJ	109.16	157.00	146.84	+.30	+0.2	▼	▲	▲
Lowes	LOW	60.00	149.81	149.20	+.49	+0.3	▲	▲	▲
McDnlds	MCD	124.23	221.93	195.41	-.80	-0.4	▼	▲	▲
Microsoft	MSFT	130.78	216.38	203.90	-.16	-0.1	▲	▼	▲
MillerHer	MLHR	14.39	49.88	23.40	-.34	-1.4	▲	▲	▼
Perrigo	PRGO	40.01	63.86	54.78	-1.91	-3.4	▼	▼	▼
Pfizer	PFE	27.88	43.00	38.74	-.14	-0.4	▲	▲	▲
ProctGam	PG	94.34	129.24	131.42	+3.11	+2.4	▲	▲	▲
RepubSvc	RSG	65.37	100.91	87.06	+.19	+0.2	▲	▲	▲
Steelcse	SCS	7.02	23.02	10.76	-.28	-2.5	▼	▲	▼
Stryker	SYK	124.54	226.30	200.20	-1.21	-0.6	▲	▲	▲
TCF Finl	TCF	16.96	47.46	27.86	-.28	-1.0	▼	▲	▼
Target	TGT	80.03	130.24	124.58	+.90	+0.7	▲	▲	▲
TractSupp	TSCO	63.89	154.48	143.42	-2.04	-1.4	▼	▲	▲
UPS B	UPS	82.00	125.31	141.46	+17.78	+14.4	▲	▲	▲
VerizonCm	VZ	48.84	62.22	57.30	-.15	-0.3	▲	▲	▲
WEC Engy	WEC	68.01	109.53	95.19	+.22	+0.2	▲	▲	▲
WalMart	WMT	102.00	134.13	130.12	-.57	-0.4	▼	▲	▲
WalgBoots	WBA	36.65	64.50	40.64	-.52	-1.3	▲	▼	▼
Wendys Co	WEN	6.82	24.04	23.15	-.28	-1.2	▼	▲	▲
Whrlpl	WHR	64.00	166.06	163.01	+.44	+0.3	▲	▲	▲
Worthgtn	WOR	19.28	44.69	37.71	-.46	-1.2	▲	▲	▲
XPO Logis	XPO	38.47	100.18	86.62	+2.54	+3.0	▲	▲	▲

PRODUCE PRICES

The following fruit prices were recorded on the Chicago Terminal Market on Wednesday. Prices are not net to the growers as freight and selling fees have not been deducted. These prices were provided by the USDA Market News Branch office in Chicago.

APPLES: Cartons tray pack of Washington Extra Fancy 72s Red Delicious sold lower from mostly $23-24, Golden Delicious sold from $26-29, Fuji sold for $24-24.50 with fine appearance mostly $31-32, Pink Lady brought $35, Gala fine appearance offerings sold from mostly $39-40, and 72 size Honeycrisp of fine appearance offerings brought $54. Cartons of 12 3-pound film bags of Washington WA Extra Fancy 2 1/2-inch minimum Red Delicious sold from $23-24, while Golden Delicious brought $21-22, and Gala sold from mostly $22-23.

ASPARAGUS: 11-pound cartons/crates bunched from Mexico large size sold lower for $19, with standard size offerings from Peru sold higher for mostly $23-24, and white offerings sold lower for $28.

BEANS: Bushel cartons/crates of round green type hand-picked offerings from Michigan sold from mostly $16-17, while machine-picked offerings from Virginia brought $14.

BERRIES: Flats of 12 1-pint cups with lids of medium-large size from British Columbia sold for mostlly $23-24, while offerings from Michigan sold from mostly $23-24 with fine appearance sold for $28.50, and flats of 12 6-ounce cups with lids sold higher from $18.50-19. Organic offerings from California sold steady for $28.50. Strawberries in flats of 12 1-pound containers medium size from California sold for mostly $27-28, while organic offerings brought $36.50.

BROCCOLI: Cartons of 14 bunches from California sold steady from $14-16, with organic offerings brought $22.50.

CABBAGE: 50-pound cartons of round green medium from Michigan sold lower for $15, with green and red offerings from Ohio brought mostly $17-19.

CAULIFLOWER: Cartons of 12 film wrapped heads from California sold lower from mostly $14-15, with organic offerings higher for $28.

CHERRIES: 18-pound cartons of bagged dark red sweet varieties from Washington of 10 1/2 row size sold steady for $70.

CORN: Wirebound crates of four dozen bi-color and yellow from Michigan sold from $14-15.

CUCUMBERS: 1-1/9-bushel cartons from Mexico of medium size sold steady from $24-26, with selects $22-22.50, while medium offerings from Michigan brought $15-16 and large size $12-14, and carton 24s brought $8. Pickles of 200-300 size from Michigan sold for $26-27.50.

EGGPLANT: 1 1/9-bushel cartons of medium size from New Jersey brought $28-30, with offerings of 24 count from California sold from $32-34.

LETTUCE: Cartons film wrapped 24 heads of iceberg lettuce from California sold higher from $23-25, with organic offerings higher for $28-28.50.

ORANGES: Cartons of 10 4-pound film bags of California 72 size valencia juice oranges sold for $33.

PEACHES: 25-pound cartons loose various yellow flesh varieties from California of 60 size sold for $23, with white flesh offerings of 48-50 size sold lower for $28.

PEPPERS: 1-1/9-bushel cartons of California green jumbos sold much lower for $21, with extra-large $18.50, while offerings from Michigan brought $18.50, with choppers $14. Extra-large size jalapeno peppers from North Carolina sold for $22, while hungarian wax sold for $32, cubanelles sold for $26, and large size Long hots brought $32.

SQUASH: 1/2-bushel cartons of small-medium zucchini from Michigan sold steady from $10-12, with medium size $8-10, and yellow straightneck small-medium brought $10-12 with medium size $10. 1 1/9-bushel cartons from Mexico of large size acorn sold from $18-20, while medium butternut brought $18-20, and spaghetti small size from Michigan sold for $29.

TOMATOES: 25-pound cartons loose vine-ripe offerings from Mexico of 5x6 size sold higher from $21-23, with cartons 2-layer offerings of vine ripes of 4x5 size brought mostly $19-20. Flats 12 1-pint containers with lids of light red-red medium size grape tomatoes from Mexico sold from $16-18. Cartons of 12 1-pint baskets of cherry type light red-red from Mexico sold lower for $15. Plum tomatoes packed in 25-pound cartons loose of extra-large size from Mexico sold higher from $18-19, with large size $16-17.

BIRTHS

Lakeland Medical Center – Niles

Benton Harbor – Girl, 7 pounds, 1 ounce, Destiny and Jason Bower, 8:05 a.m. July 21.

Lakeland Medical Center – St. Joseph

Benton Harbor – Boy, 7 pounds, 3.7 ounces, Jordan Cunningham, 4:21 a.m. July 23.

Berrien Springs – Boy, 6 pounds, 11 ounces, Andrea Martin and Eulogio Cruz, 10:44 p.m. July 22.

Hartford – Girl, 5 pounds, 15 ounces, Jenna and Ryan Runge, 11 a.m. July 11.

St. Joseph – Girl, 7 pounds, 15 ounces, Sarah and Matt Brunelle, 7:10 p.m. July 28.

St. Joseph – Boy, 8 pounds, 6 ounces, Patricia Williams and Michael Giannola, 9:26 p.m. July 28.

St. Joseph – Boy, 8 pounds, 4 ounces, Shawn and Sayer Murphy, 8:22 a.m. July 29.

Sodus – Boy, 9 pounds, 14 ounces, Montana Brooks and Thomas Harrington, 1:28 a.m. July 24.

Stevensville – Boy, 7 pounds, 14 ounces, Michaela and Michael Smith, 5:44 a.m. July 29.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

ST. JOSEPH – The following marriage licenses have been issued by Berrien County Clerk Sharon Tyler.

Allison Jule Bobman of Brooklyn, N.Y., and Max Michael Robin of Chicago.

Kirsten Ann Canfield and Jacob AJay Hurd, both of Buchanan.

Heather Michelle Eilering of St. Joseph and Scott Darren Arena of Fort McCoy, Fla.

Jasmine Kim and Nicholas William Collard, both of Berrien Springs.

Quandra Michelle Robinson and Dwayne Christopher King, both of Benton Harbor.

Stefanie Jean Roeder of Edwardsburg and Joshua Douglas Dickeson of Niles.

Caryn Christine Schmidt of Michigan City, Ind., and Tyler Paul Mitchuson of Valparaiso, Ind.

Heather Marie Vandygriff and Matthew Pierce McNitt, both of Niles.

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DO YOU REMEMBER?

1995 – 25 years ago

Following two decades of explosive growth in the 1970s and most of the 1980s, the marina industry in Southwest Michigan and the rest of the state appears to be bottoming out. At least that's the conclusion of a study done for the Michigan Sea Grant program by a private firm. It found that the supply of marina slips across Michigan has now caught up with the demand for the first time in 25 years. Statewide nearly a quarter of all seasonal Great Lakes boat slips are now vacant. Southwest Michigan's marinas appear to have also suffered a decline in demand over previous decades and have experienced similar vacancy rates.

1985 – 35 years ago

A Pioneer picnic to mark Coloma's Sesquicentennial birthday, will be held Aug. 4 at Coloma Township Hall. Marilyn Schultz, picnic chairman for the Coloma Sesquicentennial Committee, said opening ceremonies and a slide show historical display by the North Berrien Historical Society would both start at 1 p.m.

Mrs. Schultz, who is also the Coloma Township clerk, said the picnic is one of several events slated during 1985 by the Coloma Sesquicentennial Committee to mark the community's 150th birthday.

1970 – 50 years ago

Elmer Dobberstein, who will head the new Michigan Lutheran High School to open in Fairplain this fall, will be installed as coordinator of the new school at a service scheduled for Sunday at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Benton Harbor.

Opening of the new school with just a freshman class is tentatively scheduled for Sept. 8. Classes will be held in a new educational wing under construction at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church on Broadway in Fairplain. Plans call for an additional grade to be added in succeeding years, and to move into a new high school building, still in the planning stages, before the school reaches full four-year stature in the 1973-74 school year.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Friday, July 31, the 213th day of 2020. There are 153 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 31, 1777, during the Revolutionary War, the Marquis de Lafayette, a 19-year-old French nobleman, was made a major-general in the American Continental Army.

On this date:

In 1556, St. Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus – the Jesuit order of Catholic priests and brothers – died in Rome.

In 1715, a fleet of Spanish ships carrying gold, silver and jewelry sank during a hurricane off the east Florida coast; of some 2,500 crew members, more than 1,000 died.

In 1945, Pierre Laval, premier of the pro-Nazi Vichy government, surrendered to U.S. authorities in Austria; he was turned over to France, which later tried and executed him.

In 1954, Pakistan's K2 was conquered as two members of an Italian expedition, Achille Compagnoni and Lino Lacedelli, reached the summit.

5-Day Forecast for St. Joseph

Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Isolated T-storms	Partly Cloudy
78°	65°	76° / 67°	78° / 65°	74° / 62°	73° / 64°

Local Outlook

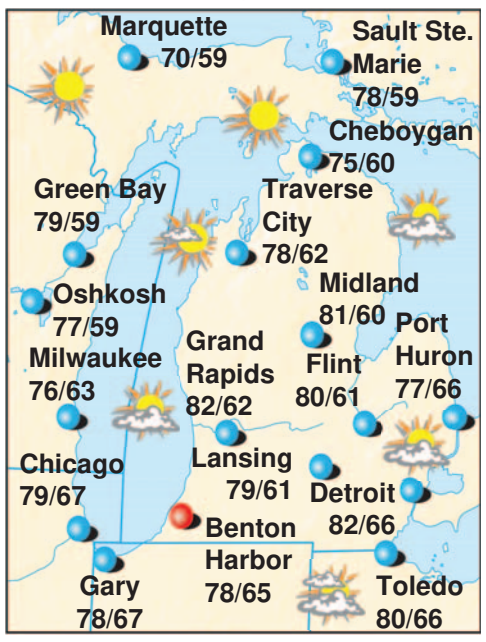
Today we will see partly cloudy skies, high temperature of 78°, humidity of 57%. Southeast wind 7 to 11 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight, overnight low of 65°. East southeast wind 2 to 11 mph. Saturday, skies will be partly cloudy, high of 76°, humidity of 59%.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise	6:38 a.m.
Sunset	9:05 p.m.
Moonrise	7:08 p.m.
Moonset	3:24 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
8/3	8/11	8/18	8/25

Regional Map



Local Almanac

Benton Harbor Yesterday

Temperature

High	79°
Low	68°
Normal High	82°
Normal Low	62°
Record High	97° in 1999
Record Low	52° in 2013

Precipitation

Yesterday	0.02"
Month to date	2.37"
Normal for month	4.20"
Year to date	24.45"
Normal Year to date	21.09"

Air Quality

Yesterday 38

Main Offender ..... Particles

The higher the number, the greater the need for people with respiratory problems to reduce outside activity.

0-50	Good
51-100	Moderate
101-150	Sensitive
151-200	Unhealthy

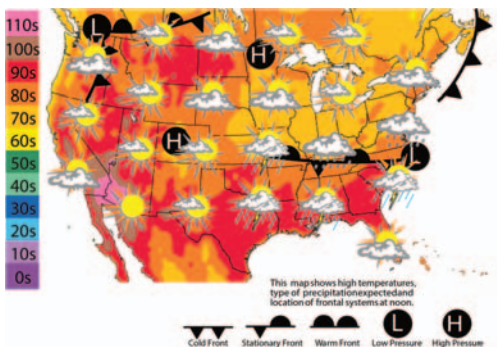
Weather Trivia

Does the risk of sunburn increase with altitude?

Answer: Yes. At high altitudes, there is less atmosphere to shield you.

National Weather Map

Forecast map for July 31, 2020



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Lake Michigan

Today, ENE wind 10 to 14 kt. Winds could gust as high as 20 kt. Waves 2 to 3 ft. Water temperature 75 degrees. Tonight, N wind 5 to 12 kt. Partly cloudy. Waves around 3 ft.

Michigan Forecast

Upper Peninsula

Today, skies will be sunny to partly cloudy with highs in the 70s. Northeast wind 2 to 8 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies Saturday with highs in the 70s and 80s. Southeast wind 1 to 6 mph.

Lower Peninsula

Today, skies will be partly cloudy with highs in the 70s and 80s. Southeast wind 7 to 11 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies Saturday with highs in the 70s and 80s. East southeast wind 2 to 7 mph.

Former player: Schembechler knew of abuse at U-M

By ED WHITE
Associated Press

DETROIT — Dozens of more victims who claim they were molested by a University of Michigan doctor filed a lawsuit against the school Thursday, including a former football player who said he told legendary coach Bo Schembechler about the abuse in the early 1980s.

It's the first time that a victim has publicly said Schembechler was aware of allegations against the late Dr. Robert Anderson, who worked at Michigan, especially with athletes, from the mid-1960s through 2003.

The university believes Anderson assaulted male athletes during routine physicals and injury exams. It has hired a law firm to investigate nearly 400 complaints so far while expressing a willingness to ultimately compensate victims.

"The shame doesn't belong with survivors," attorney Steve Estey said. "It belongs with the University of Michigan. And we intend to put the shame back where it belongs, with U-M for failing to protect its students and athletes."

The latest lawsuit lists 53 victims.

A football player said he told Schembechler in 1982 and 1983 that he was sexually abused by Anderson during appointments for migraine headaches. He said the coach told him to immediately report it to athletic director Don Canham.

Schembechler was "visibly angry," the man told reporters Thursday, adding that he went to Canham, who "did nothing."

The man said he holds no grudge against Schembechler, who died in 2006, or his staff. The Associated Press doesn't typically identify victims of sexual assault.

"I feel horrible for coach Schembechler. I will defend that man until my dying day," the man said. "If they could have been able to come forward and stop this and throw Canham literally or figuratively against the wall and say, 'This has to end,' they would have.

"Times were totally different where one man was in charge. ... Protecting the institution was what Don was all about. Protecting his good name was what Don was all about. Protecting his ego was what Don Canham was all about," he said.

Other athletes have accused Canham of knowing about Anderson's abuse. Canham died in 2005. Schembechler was coach from 1969-89.

JOB FAIRS

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traditionally faced when attending hiring events.

She said it also allows the employer to share more information about their company.

Job seekers who would like to attend are required to register at www.miworks.org/events-1/southwest-michigan-virtual-hiring-event, in order to receive the Zoom Meeting link.

Those attending the Zoom meeting are encouraged to arrive interview-ready with an updated resume.

Employers looking to register for the next hiring event at no cost should contact Berrien County Business Account Manager Paul Brohman at BrohmanP@miworks.org, or Cass and Van Buren County Business Account Manager Mark O'Reilly at OreillyM@miworks.org.

For more information or general questions, visit www.miworks.org.

Michigan Works Berrien, Cass and Van Buren service centers are closed for walk-in services and are currently providing services remotely.

WHITMER

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Michigan.

In recent weeks, Trump has shaken up his campaign team, trumpeted infrastructure projects in key states and suggested he will take action to keep impoverished Americans from living in suburban neighborhoods, all as he has continued to rail against what he calls mail-in voting, despite there being no difference between that and absentee voting, and the fact that Trump himself has voted by mail several times.

Over Wednesday and Thursday he posted several comments, including one on Thursday morning saying, "With Universal Mail-In Voting (not Absentee Voting, which is good), 2020 will be the most INACCURATE & FRAUDULENT Election in history."

"It will be a great embarrassment to the USA. Delay the Election until people can properly, securely and safely vote???"

With Universal Mail-In Voting (not Absentee Voting, which is good), 2020 will be the most INACCURATE & FRAUDULENT Election in history. It will be a great embarrassment to the USA. Delay the Election until people can properly, securely and safely vote??? – Donald J. Trump (@realDonaldTrump) July 30, 2020

The president's rhetoric appears to be an attempt to sow doubt in the eventual outcome of the presidential vote and echoes other unfounded attacks on mail-in voting.

MASKS

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Department of Agriculture & Rural Development, so those complaints go to the state.

Information regarding the issue is available online at michigan.gov/covidworkplacesafety.

Conrad said the health department has received "many, many" tips and complaints about non-compliance with the mask order.

"Most are regarding gas stations and grocery stores, about both customers and employees not wearing masks," she said.

Heit and Conrad said they are focusing on education and information.

"We're not taking an aggressive approach. We're taking an educate and warn approach," Heit said.

Conrad said in many cases someone from the health department will make a phone call or pay a visit to store owners and managers.

"We're trying to educate people about the importance of a mask from a public health perspective," she said. "Aside from social distancing, masking is probably the next best public health tool we have. We don't have to feel defenseless against this virus. We have tools in our toolbox and masking is a very important one."

Heit said one tricky aspect of enforcing the mask order is the exception for people who medically cannot wear a face mask.

"There's nothing that spells it out specifically. There's no set standard for what amounts to 'can't tolerate' a mask. A lot of stores, if you walk in without a mask, will assume that you can't wear one. They should be asking," Heit said.

Due to privacy laws, however, a non-mask wearer does not have to disclose details about any medical condition preventing them from wearing a mask.

Heit said if a customer has a concern about a worker not wearing a mask, they should direct their concern to the store manager rather than take it upon themself to confront a store worker.

Berrien County Prosecutor Michael Sepic said he has encouraged law enforcement to respond to complaints by residents about people violating the mask order, and he intends to prosecute cases, if the facts back up the charge.

"I realize there are loopholes, but I believe we have to respond to complaints, educate, warn and then cite, if need be," Sepic said. "I think it's important for the public to know law enforcement is vigilant on this issue and sees it as important for public safety. While I don't believe I've seen any tickets come through for mask violations, I do know police agencies are responding to the tips."

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VIRUS

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that increased mail-in voting will result in fraud. Changing Election Day would require an act of Congress, and the notion ran into immediate resistance from top Republicans and Democrats alike.

■ Herman Cain, the former pizza-chain CEO who in 2012 unsuccessfully sought to become the first Black candidate to win the Republican nomination for president, died of complications from the virus at 74.

Based on a seven-day rolling average, daily cases of the coronavirus in the U.S. fell from 67,317 on July 22 to 65,266 on Wednesday, according to data kept by Johns Hopkins University. That is a decline of about 3 percent.

Researchers prefer to see two weeks of data pointing in the same direction to say whether a trend is genuine. "But I think it is real, yes," said Ira Longini, a University of Florida biostatistician who has been tracking the coronavirus and has been a source of disease forecasts used by the government.

The Associated Press found the seven-day rolling average for new cases plateaued over two weeks in California and decreased in Arizona, Florida and Texas.

The trends in Arizona, Texas and Florida are "starting to bend the curve a bit," said Jennifer Nuzzo, a Johns Hopkins public health researcher. Those states, along with California, have been pouring large numbers of cases each day into the national tally. So when those places make progress, the whole country looks better, she said.

Also, in another possible glimmer of hope, the percentage of tests that are coming back positive for the virus across the U.S. dropped from an average of 8.5 percent to 7.8 percent over the past week.

But with the outbreak heating up in the Midwest, Democratic Wisconsin Gov. Tony Evers ordered masks be worn statewide because of a spike in cases, joining some 30 other states that have taken such measures.

The latest surge in cases became evident in June, weeks after states began reopening following a deadly explosion of cases in and around New York City in the early spring. Daily case counts rose to 70,000 or more earlier this month. Deaths, too, began to climb sharply, after a lag of a few weeks.

Some researchers believe that the recent leveling-off is the result of more people embracing social distancing and other precautions.

"I think a lot of it is people wearing masks because they're scared," Longini said.

But Dr. Ali Khan, dean of the University of Nebraska College of Public Health, said the trend could also be due to natural dynamics of the virus that scientists to do not yet understand.

Without robust testing and other measures to keep the virus in check, a third peak is possible – or even likely – given that only an estimated 10 percent of Americans have been infected so far, experts said. And there's no reason to believe the peak can't be larger than the first two.

"This disease will continue to hopscotch around until it finds tinder – susceptible individuals – like any good fire," said Khan, a former top infectious-disease outbreak investigator at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Fauci said he is "somewhat comforted" by the recent plateau. But a stabilization of cases at around 60,000 is "still at a very high level." He said he is also worried about rising percentages of tests coming back positive in states like Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee and Indiana.

"That's a warning sign that you might be seeing a surge," Fauci said. "They've really got to jump all over that."

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